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CURRENT NEWS OF CHICAGO

INTERESTING MEETING OF MEDICAL FRATERNITY

MUSICAL GIVEN BY CHORAL STUDY CLUB

Memorial Services Held in Honor of Justice Harlan—The Railroad Men's Annual Ball to be the Event of the Holidays.

(By Carry B. Lewis.)

Chicago, Ill., Special to The Freeman.

The monthly meeting of the Physician', Dentists and Pharmacists' Association was held Monday night at the Dumas hotel.

The principal speaker on that occasion was Dr. E. S. Miller. His subject was "Acute Articular Rheumatism." He discussed, in a large measure, pathology, diagnosis and treatment. After the discussion, Dr. A. Wilberforce Williams discussed the etiology and pathology.

The meeting was very interesting and a large number were present. Dr. A. Wilberforce Williams, who has just returned from Philadelphia, spoke of his visit to the Second Annual Session of the Clinical Congress of Surgeons of North America. Dr. Williams spent two weeks in that section of the country. He was greatly pleased with his trip and stated that nearly two thousand surgeons were in attendance from all parts of North America, England, Turkey and China. One of the peculiar features of this body is that Dr. Williams was the only colored surgeon present. While in that section of the country he visited several hospitals in New York City, among them, Lincoln hospital and Training School for Nurses. It was at this nurses etaoin shrdlu aetaoin etaoin etaoi hospital where there are forty-five nurses and at this institution he noted the fine surgical technique of its physicians. Miss Lula D. Warlick, assistant superintendent of Provident hospital, is a graduate of this institution. Dr. Williams visited Frederick Douglass hospital of Philalelphia, and found a work of Dr. N. F. Mossell worthy of great praise.

Dr. Williams said to The Freeman correspondent that he though the surgical nursing and technique of the operating room at Provident hospital, Chicago, is not surpassed by that of any hospital on his eastern trip. That on a whole, the work of the members of his profession in Chicago average up well with any work he observed on his eastern trip.

It is known here in Chicago that Dr. Williams ranks among the leading physicians and surgeons. He has performed successfully some of the most difficult and complicated operations of any done in Provident hospital. He enjoys the honor of being a member of the Chicago Medical Society, the Illinois State Medical Society, the National Medical Association, the Clinical Congress of Surgeons, the Institution for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, Physicians', Dentists' and Pharmacists' Association of Chicago, member of the melical staff of Provilent hospital and secretary of the medical board of that school. He is a graduate of the Northwestern University and one of its most influential public-spirited citizens. One of the leading journals of Chicago in an editorial on surgeons had the following to say: "The city of Chicago can point with pride to the positions her surgeons have reacher. Major operations of the most difficult nature are performed constantly with success, whereas most cities are fortunate if they can boast of one eminent surgeon. Chicago has two that are pre-eminent and several who are far in advance of the average. The Literary Digest of last Saturday in a book review named Drs. Dan Williams and George Hall as leading surgeons of Chicago, and Dr. M. A. Curtis of Washington, D. C., and Dr. R. F. Boyd, of Nashville, but we can also name Drs. A. Wilberforce Williams, U. G. Dailey, J. W. McDowell, A. W. Mercer and J. R. White who are safe and conservative surgeons and whose work has reflected on themselves and Provident. This means a great deal in a city where competition is at the top notch and where people are educated to expect the best service. It is no incident that these men are but the outcome of unusual skill and efficient training. On a whole, Chicago can boast of an unusually highly trained set of physicians and surgeons. This is due largely to its universities and hospitals at their disposal. We note, also, that our men have kept up their association with the highest anl best of the profession.

Dr. A. Wilberforce Williams has just returnel from the east, attending the Congress of Surgeons of North America; such identification speaks volumes for our race and we take pride in our esteemed friend's participation at such an event."

At the next meeting of the medical association, Dr. C. P. Cooper, Dr. J. H. Plummer, Dr. M. R. Bibbs, Dr. H. W. Garnes and Dr. W. A. Richardson are scheduled to speak. The association is taking on new members and from all reports more than half of the eighty physicians are bona fide members.

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The Choral Study Club was the event of the season in musical circles in the city on Monday night at Institutional church and a large crowd was present. Mr. Gerald Tyler, of St. Louis, Mo., took the principal part in Colerilge Taylor's "Bon Bon Suite." Mr. Tyler's voice was in the best of condition and his rendition was par excellent. The chorus work was under the direction of Mr. Pedro Tinsley. The male chorus sang "Castilla." A group of short songs were also rendered by the chorus.

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Memorial services were held on Sunday night at Bethel and Quinn Chapel A. M. E. churches in memory of the late Judge John M. Harlan. Both meetings were well attended, speakers being colored and white.

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The real big public affair of the Christmas holidays will be the Colored Railway Men's ball at the Coliseum, Monday night, January 1. This will be their second annual ball and on last year, it proved to be the ball of the season. The managers are making great preparations to surpass their efforts of last year, when there were railroad porters present from all parts of the country. Already, porters are asking their superintendents for a "lay-off" on the night of the ball.

The managers have offered $200 in prizes. They will offer a $65 brass bed set, $50 overcoat, $30 gold watch, $15 dinner set. Attached to each ticket will be a coupon torn off and returned to the person. At 2 o'clock sharp, the ticket end will be put in a basket in full view of all present in the center of the hall. A man will be blind-folded and the prizes will be awarded respectively as they are drawn out of the basket.

One of the best orchestras in the city has been engaged for the ball, which will begin at 8 o'clock and last until the morning of January 2.

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Thanksgiving will be appropriately observed at all of the churches.

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The Reveliers will give a dance on December 6th, at Oakland music hall.

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Mrs. L. Davis, of the Phillis Wheatly Home, 3520 Forest avenue, is very ill at her home.

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Memorial services were held at Quinn chapel Sunday night in memory of the late Judge Harlan.

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Dr. W. A. Mitchell, having recently returned from the east, has opened a beautiful dental parlor at 3511 South State street.

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Dr. Dan Williams has returned to the city from Pulaski, Ill., and Cairo. He was there just for a few days on a hunting trip.

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Mr. Carl Diton, the pianist, was in the city and was introduced to Chicagoans by his friend, Cary B. Lewis. Mr. Diton played a number at the Frank P. George Danabegay.

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Quite a number of the stage people are talking of having write-ups in the Christmas issue. They remember with pleasure the paper of last Christmas. Every indication points that Chicago will be well represented.

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Mrs. Martha Anderson is expected to go to Washington, D. C., at an early date to do some work in a big musical of that city. Mrs. Anderson enjoys the distinction of being one of the best trained musicians of this city.

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Miss Lutie Jackson and Mr. Percy Turner and Miss Ruth McKimey and Mr. Will Brown will marry on Wednesday night of this week. All the parties are very popular and many of the select people of the city will attend one or the other of the weddings.

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Hon. Edward Green, member of the legislature, Wm. D. Neighbors and ex-County Commissioner Oscar De Prist have organized a Civic and Protective League. They expect to form clubs in all parts of the state, looking after the betterment of the Negro along all lines.

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Misses Mae Coleman and Berenice Kennedy, two very charming girls of this city, gave a pajama party on last Saturday night. From reports it was quite a unique affair and one among the first of the city. It is said that many colors were in evidence at the party.

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Mrs. Safena Peffelfs, 3750 Armour, has returned to the city after having been called to Chatham, Ont., Can., by the death of her brother, Mr. Golden Milburn, who died November 18, inst. He left a mother, three sisters and five brothers to mourn his loss.

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The Assembly Club gave a dance on Wednesday night of this week at Oakland music hall. The club has a membership of among many of the most select young men of the city who intend to give the young girls of the city a dance every other month. Mr. George Thompson is one of the promoters of the club.

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Quite a number of the popular people are attending this week "Carib," a play by Mr. T. L. Douglass, which holds the boards at the Pekin theater. From the large attendance, it is possible to foresee another week of the play. Mr. Leon Motts is doing his best to give the patrons of the Pekin the best obtainable; enconuraging and employing members of the race.

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Dr. H. Clay Bryant, who has spent his allotted time at Provident hospital as intern, will leave the institution probably on Thanksgiving. Dr. Bryant earned a great reputation in the hospital as being a faithful and efficient doctor; this praise coming from heads of the institution as well as the nurses and patients under him. He will probably go south in a few days, but his location is not exactly known. He holds certificates to practice in several states.

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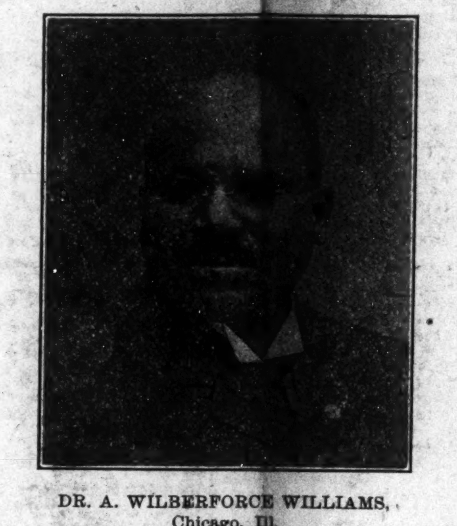
CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 27.—The funeral of Bro. Harvey Brown was conducted from Quinn Chapel A. M. E. church Sunday afternoon. He was one of Quinn's oldest and most faithful members, having served for more than thirty-five years. Eulogies were offered by Revs. Cook, Roberts, Carey and Jenifer. The deceased was also a member of Golden Fleece Lodge, U. O. O. F. He left a wife, daughter and son and other relatives to mourn their loss. By the death of Bro. Brown, the community lost a christian gentlemen, and his family a kind and affectionate husband and father.



DR. A. WILBERFORCE WILLIAMS,
Chicago, Ill.

SOUTH BEND (IND.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Gertrud B. Hill, grand worthy matron of the Order of Eastern Star, of Indianapolis, Ind., is visiting her brother, G. W. Bland, head waiter at the Oliver Hotel. Quite a number of social functions have been given in her honor, which has made her visit very pleasant. ....Mr. John Robison, who has spent the summer in our city, has returned to his home in Thomasville, Ga., to spend the winter and to work in the interest of the Afro-American Order of Owls.... Mr. A. Lincoln Harris will present his new play "The Bogus Prince of Hayti" at the Elks Temple Theater Thursday evening, December 14, under the auspicious of the waiters. Tickets will be on sale at Bastin's drug store on South Michigan street, and South Chapin street. Tickets will be 35 and 50 cents. After the show the grand ball. Eastern Star will hold their annual election December 4....The Masons will hold their annual election December 5. All members are requested to be present.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

Church and Society Shocked—Some Clubs No More—Law Must Be Obeyed.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Prof. G. Jackson spent several days here from his school at Ladonia....Mrs. A. E. Overton reports her school at Rockwell increasing in attendance.... Mr. Will Clark was bested in his ten-round bout at the Fort with the wonderful hard-hitting Carroll, the idol and undefeated boxer, a few nights ago in the presence of a large crowd of ringside lovers of the art. Clark won fame for his staying qualities, but it was too much Carroll for Clark....Gran Chancellor A. N. Prince, of Sherman, met quite a number of Knights of Pythias while here the past week en route from the General Conference of the A. M. E. Church, which was being held at Waxakachia. He was in a fine frame of mind to talk of the wonders now being done towards the uplifht of every kind of organized institution that is doing duty for race in the Lone Star state, and especially the brave boys in every department of the order. He further stated that heretofore the Uniform Rank and its department had been somewhat neglected by the men and loyal members of the order because of the fact that it had not been properly pushed, but in the future in Texas it must shine as other departments, and it is the duty of every officer in the subordinate lodges to aid this cause. I am more and more impressed myself each year with the Uniform Rank department, and feel certain that others are becomin likewise. Let us not rest until we have several new companies added to the several we now have and well officered, and a splendid set of brave men here and there over the state coming togethre with the Grand Lodge and Military Encampment yearly and advancing Pythianism to the world. In Texas many of those who have heard the good doctor express himself, were delighted, as Dallas now has a K. of P. band, fife, trumpet and drum corps in connection and two well drilled companies and the ground bought for the Pythian Temple, eight up-to-date lodges. 8 Courts of Calanthias and several grand lodge officers, all of which looks good to a true court sister and a brave brother and the good citipens of the metropolis of Texas....If you are an up-to-now business man you should advertise your place, wares and let the public know where you can be found, and The Freeman will help you at a moderate prices. See Griffin at 800 Main street. Subscriptions owing must be paid before January 1, so pay now.... The Mexican counsel is calling the Governor of Texas to account for treatment of several Mexicans in various parts of the state....The sons of Ham must work more solidly together in order that they may some day do something, and it will be immediately complied with. As it is now we are not solidly combined to do the good we should be doing one for another in a commercial way and hardly otherwise....The first week in December promises some startling changes in lodge circles, from the minor to the major, and there will be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth.... The Conferences are over and the various boards have been working overtime with evid doers. It is now time for the officials in church, lodge and other circles to take a much needed rest and get in shape to enjoy the holidays and start the ney year right....Baby Blackburn sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession. He is at home taking a much needed rest after closing with the Two Bills Wild West Annex Shows as star of the company for two successful seasons....1488 is keeping its wheels from rusting by continued going....It would pay some of race to stay out of some of the trouble they get into. Be men and women by striving harder each day.

MT. VERNON, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Wayman Chapel A. M. E. church, Rev. John Coleman, pastor, Sunday, November 26th, was quarterly meeting. Rev. J. D. White, of Neward, O., preached at 7 p. m., instead of Presiding Elder Josiah Jones, who is attending conferences in Alabama. Subject, I Cor. 5:2; Christ, our Passover. Rev. White is a stron gand forcible speaker and his subject was ably rendered........Calvary Baptist church, Rev. A. Hampton, pastor. Services were as follows: Sunday school at 9 a. m.! preaching at 10:30, subject, "The Christian Race;" at 7 p. m., subject, "No Room for Jesus." Both were well attended. You are always welcome at Calvary Baptist church......Women's Mite Missionary Society met November 22, at the residence of Mrs. William Newson, North McKenzie street..Kane Grocery Co. has opened on Ridgeway avenue. Now that a colored man has opened a grocery, let us patronize him and give others encouragement to open other places of business Mrs. Geo. Grey and Mr. Frank Stevens are still on the sick list....Mrs. Jacob Walker suffered another stroke of paralysis last week......The Twentieth Century Club met at the residence of Mrs. Ben McGee, South Main street, for their monthly coffee pour, and the following program was rendered: Question, "What is the Negro Population in the United States?" Paper, "The Origin of Thanksgiving," Mrs. Harry Latherns. Reading, "Our Colored Soldiers," Mrs. John C. Mady, and current events, after which luncheon was served by the hostess....In my next week's notes I will write of the Odd Fellows' dance, which is too late for this issue.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The five-years-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Miller died last week from the effects of a serious burn, three weeks ago....Miss Ethel Burnett is on the sick list...."Down in Dixie" Minstrels were here November 28...."Uncle Tom's Cabin" was here November 30....A. O. Cash, our fruit man, is done spraying his peach orchard. He says now is the time to do your winter spraying. He says spray with lime and sulphur if you want good fruit....Mr. Buster Hinds and wife, of Dumane, Ill., are here visiting their parents....Mrs. Mandy is home again from Champaign, Ill., where she has been visiting for several weeks....Mrs. L. Harding is on the sick list....Mrs. B. King is on the sick list with rheumatism. ....Mr. Walter Scott, a coal miner, is laid up with a badly mashed hand which he received in the mine.

WEST BADEN (IND.) NEWS.

(By William Sebra.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Thomas Handley, of French Lick, entertained last evening with a supper in honor of her husband and Master Willie Clay....Mr. George L. Smith has returned home from Louisville, after visiting her aunt.... Mrs. John Parrott has returned home from Louisville after visiting her mother....Miss Marie Sebree has returned home from Bloomington, where she attended the football game, and stopped over in Bedford, where she was highly entertained by Misses Eula Pettiford and Lois Henderson.

PAST WEEK AT LOUISVILLE

CANE CLUB VICTORIOUS IN FOOT BALL GAME

HIGH SCHOOL FALL FESTIVAL A SUCCESS

Central High School Boys Play Foot Ball on Thanksgiving in St. Louis—Death of Mrs. Burney—Social Flashes.

By Lee L. Brown.
(1006 West Chestnut Street.)

LOUISVILE, Ky., Special.

The Cane Club football team defeated the State University by the score of 11 to 0. The game was one of the best seen in Louisville for some time. As the State University has not been defeated by a local team for nearly sixteen years it was a joyous occassion to the members of the Cane Club. Saturday, December 2, the Cane Club plays the undefeated Alpha-Omega Club for the championship. This will be the last game of the season in Louisville. Prof. Peyton, who has coached the Cane Club for three years, sees in the present team a combination hard to defeat, and while the team is light in weight yet it is by far one of the best teams that has assembled in Louisville. The following is the line-up for Thursday's game: Williams, center; Morris or Hurley, right guard; Bryan, left guard; Samuels or Karakro, right Tackle; Woods, left tackle; Allen and Tucker, ends; Cypress, Owenton and Barrett, full backs; Pickens and Anderson, half backs.

Monday was oration day at State University.

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The Fall Festival given this week by the High School students at Old Quinn Chapel was quiet a success. It was the chief attraction of the week aside from the football game on Thursday. The very excellent program that was rendered was well worth the price of admission. There were quite a number of articles displayed which proves that the pupils of Central High School are being well trained along the industrial lines.

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The Central High School Boys are in St. Louis, Mo., where they are to play on Thanksgiving Day their old rivals, the Sumner High School. The local boys are very much enthuiased over the game and have promised their associates to bring home the laurels. The Wilberforce University students will journey to this city to play the State University football team. This game will draw a great crowd. The boys have made great preparations for the entertainment of the visitors. In Louisville, society turns out in full force to witness the annual Thanksgiving games. The Central High School and Sumner High School will be posted on a bulletin at 1006 West Chestnut and 12th and Chestnut streets, Peoples Drug Store.

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Mrs. Burney, a highly respected woman of this city, died last week and was buried in the Eastern Cemetery. Mrs. Burney is well known to the citizens. She leaves a husband, Jno. T. Burney, a granddaughter, Nellie Burney, who will be cared for by Mrs. Fanny Jackson. Mrs. Burney at one time owned a large amount of property.

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Miss Mattie Estill, of West Breckinridge street, is visiting in Chicago.

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The Kentucky Reporter, Louisville's new paper, will be out this week.

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The Ruby Theater, which was destroye by fire, is not likely to open.

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Quite a number of hunting parties were formed this week.

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There is a long list of entertainments, dinners, etc., arranged for Thanksgiving week.

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This home coming week. Quite a number of former Kentuckians will spend Thanksgiving Day at home.

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Mr. Phil Brown, who had charge of the colored Republican campaign committee, was in the city this week on business.

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Father Dorsey, the colored Catholic priest, has attracted great crowds at the Lampton Street Colored Catholic Mission.

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Miss Menina Clay was quietly married last week to Mr. Robert Elegan, who is the proprietor of a restaurant at West Walnut street.

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Mr. P. Clinton Martin has opened a shoe shining parlor near the location of Mrs. Tyndall's cigar store, 10th and Chestnut streets.

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There were special exercises held at the Asbury Chapel Church on Thanksgiving Day under the direction of the new pastor, Rev. Reed.

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Mrs. Katie Tyndall has opened up a first-class cigar store and news stand at Tenth and Chestnut streets. Mrs. Tyndall has The Freeman on sale.

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Prof. Jno. Bell, principal of the Shelby street school, and Mr. A. G. Meaux, undertaker, were initiated in the Young Men's Catholic Club last Sunday night.

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We hope to get out a special Louisville page for Christmas. We will be pleased to consult with business men who desire to have their cuts and write-up in this special issue.

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Attorney Ricks was in the city this week receiving the congratulations of his friends on account of his recent marriage. Attorney Ricks, in connection with his day school, conducts a night school.

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Louisville, Ky., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Last week a young colored woman dropped dead at the short dress and short pants dance given by the Crimson Star club at Thirteenth and Walnut street hall.

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A large crowd of friends left this week to attend the annual Thanksgiving exercises at Eckstein Norton Institute, Cane Spring, Ky., where a committee of Kings Daughters will serve refreshments.

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Bennie Johnson has been confined in a hospital with a broken leg for four weeks, but is improving rapidly. His leg was broken by being run over by a five-ton steam roller. He was employed by the American Standard Asphalt Company.

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The Clay Lewis Hotel Company, which proposes to erect a colored hotel, are holding each week special meetings at the different churches; they have also sent out a large number of circulars throughout the state urging the citizens to purchase stock in their enterprise.

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A charity ball, given by the Loyalty Club on November 27 at Odd Fellows Hall was a worthy attempt to aid the poor of Louisville, and Mrs. T. Masterson is to be complimented. She has always taken a stand for tne betterment of the condition here, and we wish her success.

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The Zeta Epsilon Society met last week at the residence of Miss Mabel Edwards. This society has a literary social feature and will be the means of stimulating further study along advanced lines. It is connected with the Normal school, comprising the members of the senior class.

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There has been established at the Public Typewriting Office, 1006 West Chestnut street, a Christmas checking station, where those who purchase their presents before the rush will be permitted to check them until time of delivery, or those who desire may leave their gifts here and a card will be sent to the person to call and get same.

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The memorial meeting in remembrance of Justice Harlan, held in the auditorium of the public library, was very interesting indeed. Quite a number of the leading citizens took a part on the program assisted by a number of musical selections by some of Louisville's sweetest singers under the direction of Prof. Delaney.

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The colored campaign committee, under the direction of the executive committee, has closed its office in the U. B. F. hall. The young women connected with this office as clerks and stenographers have worked like trojans in getting out the tons of mail that have been sent broadcast over the state. The citizens of Louisville who did not avail themselves of the opportunity of seeing this office work missed a sight worth seeing.

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Quite a number of timely articles regarding the conduct of many of our best boys and girls have appeared recently in the local press. They are being read with great interest by many who were not aware of the real conditions existing in this city. We told you last week regarding a place on Tenth street, where many of our boys and girls frequent. Steps are being taken to close this place. We shall keep up the fight against this place until some steps are taken to make an investigation.

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December 1 will mark the laying of the corner stone of Eckstein Norton Hall at Lincoln Institute, Simpsonville, Ky. The Eckstein Norton Institute will close its doors after this scholastic term at Cane Spring, Ky., and unite with Lincoln Institute Dr. Parrish, who is serving as president, will become a trustee at Lincoln, also the Alumni Association members of the school. Hon. Eckstein Norton, of New York City, will be the chief speaker on the 1th.

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Superintendent Holland of the public schools hopes to place in operation the following plan: To send to the principals of all the schools blanks with the following questions to be answered about the general efficiency of each teacher: health, aptitude for teaching, how the teacher stands the strain of the school room and whether she is nervous or irritable at the close of the day. Through this means an accurate idea of the efficiency of the various teachers will be obtained and fitness for promotion will be determined.

LOGANSPORT, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The West Side Banking Club met at the Methodist Church on important business Sunday afternoon....Mr. John Roberts, of South Bend, passed through Logansport Sunday but stopped over long enough to visit Mr. Frisby, head waiter at the Burnett Hotel, on his way home to see his folks at Louisville, Ky. ....When you want a good hackman when you come to Logansport, call for Harry Gilmore, Odonall transfer line.... Mrs. Leola Beard has returned home. She has been visiting friends in Hamilton, Ohio, on her wedding trip....Mr. Percy Jones has returned from the Wallace Circus, where he has put in a good season....Lots of visitors from Kokomo were in our city last week....Mr. John Harris and Mr. Cecil Carter are gaining fast in high school. Hello, boys.

KANKAKEE, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. Jones, pastor of the A. M. E. Zion church, was called to Detroit, Mich., on account of the illness of Mrs. Jones.. ..The K. of P.'s will give their first entertainment at their hall on Thanksgiving....Mrs. Liza Davis, of Sheldon, Ill., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Emma Showtrack....Mrs. Frankie Knuckles will serve dinner to "The Home Seekers" at her home Saturday....Mr. Arthur Buckner, of Lafayette, Ind., is spending a few days with Miss Maude icks.

The Freeman can be secured from Louis Johnson every Saturday at the Maceo theater, Charleston, S. C.

SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON.

The Coatesville trials were so many farces—a shame to American civilization.

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The people's banquet" to Assistant Attorney General W. H. Lewis in Washington is to be a "corker."

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Now that the elections are over we may be able to find some real news instead of campaign appeals in the newspapers.

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There are narrow-souled individuals who never endorse anything unless it is of their own creation. "Raus mit 'em!"

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In every employment of today the colored man needs something more than hands and feet. Brains, sir brains!

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If plans go all right the Negroes of Boley, Okla., will have a national bank, the first to be launched by our people.

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The greatest truths are epitomized in a paragraph. The long editorial is an archaic bit of literature in this hurry-up age.

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If you contemplate a visit to Washington soon see that all schemes you may have on your person are carefully concealed.

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No Republican Legislature has ever enacted a "jim crow" car law or passed an amendment designed to restrict the suffrage of the black man.

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We have always entertained deep admiration for Wu-Ting-Fang. He is a progressive republican of the constructive type and will render yeoman service in building up a new China on the ruins of an archaic monarchy.

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Dr. C. V. Roman gained international fame during the Ecumenical Conference at Toronto. No one has yet arisen to seriously dispute the claim of the "noblest Roman of them all" for the editorship of the A. M. E. Church Review.

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The Joseph W. Bailey who is a big gun in the Baptist organizations in Texas would have it known that he is neither kith nor kin to a bourban United States Senator of the same name. They have nothing in common save name and sex.

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Booker T. Washington was fortunate enough to get his vindication in advance. The world passed its verdict in the "wizard's" favor many months ago. The greatest popular assemblages in the universe have given Dr. Washington their vote of confidence.

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The members of the National Medical Association are already rehearsing that familiar and highly appropriate ballad, "Alabama Bound." 'Twon't take August long to roll around, and Tuskegee Institute will be every up-to-date medic's objective point.

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President Taft has recorded himself heartily on the side of the Y. M. C. A. movement. It was through his intervention that the colored branch at Washington was able to secure the $25,000 offered conditionally by Mr. Julius Rosenwald. The President's speech at the Chicago Y. M. C. A. meeting was a gem and made hosts of friends for him among all classes of colored citizens.

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Julius Rosenwald is a name for the colored man to conjure with. He is a man of right—a practical philanthropist, whose memory will be perpetuated in institutions for the saving of men's souls. The trip of Mr. Rosenwald and party to Tuskegee Institute was an eye-opener to them and an inspiration to the students. Mr. Rosenwald also saw Fisk and was impressed with the work that is being done there.

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In emphasizing the beauty of country life and pushing the "back to the farm" movement the newly organized Improved Order of Shepherds and Daughters of Bethlehem is amply justifying its existence. From headquarters in Richmond, Va., it is doing its utmost to check the increasing exodus of the colored youth from the farms of Virginia to the larger cities of the South and North.

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Ira T. Bryant's consolidation plan is gaining strength daily with the A. M. E. church's progressive element. It is founded upon strictly business principles and is in line with the modern system of economical management. A mammoth printery at Nashville and a well-stocked sales room at Philadelphia will be just the thing the church needs, and Mr. Bryant is the man to put the whole project on a firm footing. Give him a chance.

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Rev. Earl Wilfley, pastor of the Vermont Avenue Christian church, of Washington, says the stage is a splendid agency for good. It can amuse, interest, instruct and preach an effective sermon on human ethics, when properly directed. It is one of the established institutions of the century and must be reckoned with. It is up to the clergy, says Mr. Wilfley, to ee to it that the stage lives up to its highest opportunities. This is the view held by the late Ernest Hogan and George Walker and Bob Cole. It is the view held today by Aida Overton Walker, Henrietta Vinton Davis, Madame Hackley, Sisseretta Jones, S. Tutt Whitney, J. Henry Lewis, H. T. Burleigh and others, woh have done much to elevate the standards of theatrical life.

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Col. Matt. N. Lewis, the veteran newspaper man of Newport News, Va., is several things besides an expert journalist. He holds an important position under the federal government, is proprietor of the "We-Us" Hotel, and supervises the publication of the Star, a weekly paper, and is responsible for the running of a large job printing establishment. Col. Lewis also conducts a beautifully appointed squab farm, and has in tastefully arranged structures a collection of over 1,000 of the prettiest pigeons the eye of man ever beheld. His quail run in pairs, and he has built up a highly profitable business of furnishing squabs for the hotels, aristocratic families and naval vessels in the vicinity and fo rthe open market. He has a demand for all the squabs he can produce, and is quite proud of his feathered family, all of whom are trained to obey his slightest signal. Col. Lewis is full of bright and original ideas upon politics, business, journalism and economic problems, and is an admirable specimen of the "fine old Virginia gentleman," a type that is rapidly disappearing in the commercial regions of Dixieland. He is independent, honest and fearless in his discussions of current issues. It is a rare treat to convere with him upon events, old and new, that form a part of our national history. We regard ouh meeting with Col. Lewis as one of the most delightful incidents of our recent sojurn in Tidewater, Va., where we spent a week covering the convention of the National Medical Association.

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President Taft Invited to Charity Ball—Corner Stone Laid at National Training School for Girls—News in Brief.

(Thompson's National News Bureau.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special

"Howard University Night" brought out the banner crowd of the season last Tuesday evening. Long before 8 o'clock the spacious auditorium of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church was packed. Every seat in the main floor, galleries, platform and choir bor was taken and standing room was at a premium. Everybody was in a good humor, and in point of quality, quantity and genuine enjoyment a more satisfactory meeting was never held under Bethel's auspices. The "Howard spirit" was in evidence everywhere.

While waiting for the opening of the regular program, the various classes whiled away the time with their new and original college "yells;" medics, law, college freshmen and all vied with one another to see who could produce the greatest variety of noises. The glee club, with its plantation melodies, was on hand, and the university choir lent classic tone to the occasion. Mr. Joseph H. Douglass and his ne worchestra made their initial appearance before the public and scored a hit. The rendition of the aria from Von Suppe's "Poet and Peasant" was exceptionally meritorious, and "Leader Joe" was in the seventh heaven of delight. He "looked good" in his brand-new military uniform, so the young ladies declared. The faculties of the several departments, led by Deans L. B. Moore and W. V. Tunnell, saw that the vast throng was made comfortable.

President Andrew D. Washington, of Bethel Literary Society, presided, and his introduction of Dr. W. P. Thirkield, Howard's president, as the speaker of the evening, was the signal for pandemonium to be turned loose. The entire university and the people joined in tendering Dr. Thirkield an ovation that lasted several minutes and was stopped only when President Washington and the popular "prexy" waved repeatedly for order, to allow the program to proceed.

Dr. Thirkoeld's address, on "The Building of a Man," was amasterpiece, both in solidity of thought and eloquence of delivery. Howard's president, catching the spirit of the occasion, never appeared to greater advantage. He struck out courageously on all of the elements that go to make the capable man, and ventured fearlessly into the arena of current covic thought, making a ringing plea for manhood, suffrage and political equality for all Americans. The power of personality, self-control, courage of conviction, development of all the faculties, mental, moral and physical, and the underlyong force of faith in the divinity of Christ were all exhaustively and interestingly presented as essential phases of man-building. In espousing the cause of physical culture his reference to the promised gymnasium for the university provoked applause long and loud.

Dr. Thirkield spoke for more than an hour, without a note, and yet never at loss for a word with which to paint his delightful poctures or to illustrate his salient points. His stories kept the audience alternating between deep thought and spontaneous laughter. At the close the ovation received at the opening was repeated with added emphasis.

Rev. I. N. Ross invoked the divine blessing and Rev Sterling N. Brown pronounced the benediction. Ministers representing all of the denominations occupied seats on the platform.

Everybody agrees that "Howard University Night" was a "corker."

No Vacancy in the Office of Assistant Register.

Although Mr. Cyrus Field Adams, Assistant Register of the Treasury, is ill, and is now on an indefinite leave of absence from Washington, it is understood that no vacancy will be declared for the present, and Mr. Adams will be continued in office. If the place should eventually become open, applications from well-known colored men in Indiana, West Virginia, Illinois and New York will be pressed. The office pays $2,000 per annum. It is a presidential appointment, and subject to confirmation by the Senate.

President Taft Invited.

An invitation has been extended to President Taft to attend the charity ball at Convention hall, December 8, for the benefit of the Social Settlement House. The President has also been invited to attend the celebration of the forty-sixth anniversary of the adoption of the Thirteenth Amendment, December 18, at the Cosmopolitan Baptist church.

Doings of the Theatrical Folks.

The Howard Theater continues to prosper under the painstaking management of Andrew J. Thomas. In Rufus G. Byars he has a valuable and energetic assistant. The beautiful play house is crowded every night, and the shows are of a high order of merit. Last week the famous Griffin Sisters, Effie and Sadie, carried all before them with their catchy songs, infectious humor and dazzling costumes. They will play a return engagement in the near future. Albert Bowers, fema le impersonator, the Carolina Four, Prof. Scarfs' dog, monkey and goat show, and the Princess Rajah were the others on the bill. For the current week, Manager Thomas is offering Merriweather and Brown, a sketch team, the Rainey Trio, Cheers and Jones and the Six Gum Drops. For Thanksgiving week comes the celebrated Aida Overton Walker, with her company of ten "classy" artists, including Creighton Thompson, James Reese Europe and others. Reserved seats are selling like hot cakes. Following Mme Walker, will come the perennial favorite, Billy Kersands. Abbie Mitchell will be here early in December, and for Christmas it is expected that Rosamond Johnson's "Sambo Girls" will be presented. The Howard is an assured success and has captured the people.

Ford Dabney's "Ginger Girls," Effie King and Lottie Gee, are playing their final week at Dabney's. Their new "Ginger Girls' Medley,'5' arranged by Leader Carroll, of the Dabney orchestra, has been the talk of the town. It is an artisitc bit of composition, carrying all of the popular songs of the day and the "girls" both sing and act their parts admirably. There isn't a neater "sistem team" on the road than King and Gee.

W. H. Daly, of Baltimore, has taken over the Chelsea, on M street. This house is a fine one and is in the heart of a large Negro population, but has never been a success for some unexplained reason. Where is the jinx? Will clevtr Bill Daly be able to conquer the hoodoo?

The Blue Mouse is getting its share of the business, having a clientelle all its own. The Griffin Sisters are going big there this week.

Tht Foraker, under the shrewd management of Green and Payne, knows not the meaning of the word "slump." They are the monarchs of the old first ward.

The News in a Nutshell.

Your correspondent acknowledges with thanks an invitation from Editor Nick Chiles, of the Topeka Plaindealer, to attend the banquet of the Western Press Association, which meets at Topeka, Kan., November 30.

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The Black Pen is out, and the first number is quite an attractive volume—neat typographically and full of well-written literary matter.

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Mr. J. Finley Wilson, associate editor of the Journal and Guide, Norfolk, Va., and traveling deputy for the B. P. O. E., of the World, was in the city this week on business

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Register J. C. Napier has returned from the Georgia State Fair at Macon. He paid a visit to Nashville while away. His speech at Macon is highly praised by the daily press and the masses who heard it.

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Dr. W. P. Thirkield, president of Howard University, will speak at the Nineteenth Street Baptist church on Thanksgiving evening.. Music will be furnished by a select chorus from Miss Nannie H. Burroughs' National Training School. The Howard students will be out in force to give their beloved "prexy" a "glad hand."

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At the regular monthly meeting of the Mu-So-Lit Club Friday evening, six new members were elected. They were Hon. William H. Lewis, Tally Holmes, D. G. Houston, James L. Chestnut, Dr. A. J. Gwathney and Frank A. Byron. Vacancies are created automatically by the failure of a member to pay dues for two consecutive months or by reason of his leaving the city. The membership is limited to seventy-five, and no new members can be admitted until lapses occur.

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Mattie Lomax, who was to have been hanged November 20, has been reprieved until February. In the meantime, her attorneys are expecting the President to commute her sentence to life imprisonment. It is pretty certain that no woman will ever be executed in the District of Columbia.

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Mrs. A. L. E. Weeks, assistant principal of the New Berne Collegiate Industrial Institute, spoke in the interest of her school last Sunday morning at Zion Baptist church, at Burrville Baptist church in the afternoon and at the Vermont Avenue Baptist church at night. Dr. Weeks spoke at the Provident Baptist church.

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General Andrew S. Burt, formerly commander of the Twenty-fifth infantry, has announced himself as a candidate for delegate to the next Republican national convention. He has a host of friends among the colored people, because of his generous treatment of the colored soldiers under his command, and because of his willingness to visit the churches, schools and other institutions conducted by the race.

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Representatives of the Young Men's Colored Republican Club, the Republican League, the First Ward Club and the West End McKinley Club met Saturday evening in the Lewis building, and voted to consolidate their respective organizations. The new organization will be known as the Union League of the District of Columbia. J. L. Keith was elected as temporary chairman, and M. Lewis Robinson as temporary secretary.

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Mrs. Mary Church Terrell began her series of lectures last Tuesday before the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences on "The Negro in the United States." She will speak each Tuesday afternoon until her five lectures shall have been delivered. In Brooklyn, Mrs. Terrell is the guest of Mrs. Agnes L. Kemp, at the beautiful mansion of the latter, 255 Decatur street.

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Mrs. Cecilia Yerby, the charming wife of Consul W. J. Yerby, stationed at Sierra Leone, West Africa, who visited Mrs. Ida V. Smith recently, has become a member of the faculty of the State University at Louisville, Ky., teaching French, history and literature. Mrs. Yerby is an accomplished linguist. While abroad, she spent much of her time in Paris, and there her two daughters attended the French schools and all mastered the language of Napoleon.

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The Hannibal Social Club has leased the commodious residence at 1100 U street, and fitted it up in handsome style for the accommodation of its members. The officers and incorporators of the club are: Edgar B. Murphy, president; James B. Smith, Joseph O. Corbett, J. H. Carter and William Gatewood. Alex. Primus is house manager. Since taking possession of its new home, the Hannibal Club's membership has largely increased. The location is ideal.

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Rev. A. C. Powell, pastor of the Abyssinia Baptist church, preached at the Second Baptist church Sunday morning, assisting Dr. W. Bishop Johnson in his celebration of the sixty-third anniversary of the church. Dr. Powell recently returned from a visit to Egypt and the Holy Land. He is deeply interested in the men's forward movement and is one of its most eloquent advocates. He addressed the Baptist ministers' meeting Monday morning and lectured at Shiloh Baptist church in the evening on "An Optimistic View of the Race Problem."

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The cornerstone of the new $7,000 dormitory of the National Training School for Women and Girls at Lincoln Heights, D. C., was laid last Sunday, with appropriate exercises. Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, A. M., founder of the institution, presided. Dr. L. G. Jordan, chairman of the building committee, delivered an address, and several local pastors, Mrs Julia Mason Layton, Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis and others participated. The school is doing a wonderful work for the practical training of women and girls. It is under the general auspices of the Women's Auxiliary of the National Baptist Convention.

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Personal letters from Secretary MacVeagh and Public Printer Donnelly express the thanks to those officials for the kind words of the colored press touching their generous treatment of the colored men in their departments.

In their excoriation of Public Printer Donnelly and of Chief Ralph, of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the labor union leaders overlooked the fact that these eminent gentlemen are supposed to conduct their offices in the interest of the United States government and all the people, not to benefit any private organization of individuals. The labor unions assume too much when they undertake to supersede the functions of "Uncle Sam" as the governing force in these great departments. The G. P. O. and the Bureau are "open shops," and it is optional with an employe whether he belongs to a union or not.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Special to The Freeman.

The second anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. J. H. Masters, Second Baptist Church, was celebrated by the congregation on Sunday, November 12. At 9:30 a. m. the Sunday school rendered a grand program, under the direction of L. J. Suggs, superintendent. At 11 a. m. the anniversary sermon was delivered by Rev. E. M. Lawrence, Nashville, Tenn., which was full of religious thought for everyday life, and he was listened to attentively, and held the people spellbound until the close. The music rendered by the church choir was grand. At 3 p. m. an address was delivered by Rev. C. O. Booth, Birmingham, Ala. Subject, "Religion Demonstrated in Our Everyday Life." It was masterly and handled in a manner that won the attention of the audience. Addresses were delivered by Revs. E. Moore, J. E. Moscith, B. M. Dudley, E. A. Martin, L. Diggs, G. H. Tolliver, Jas. Hyter, J D. Howell, J. H. Gearin, J. M. Bynes and Wm. Brooks. The industrial idea was introduced by the pastor, and the exhibition proved in every way to be a success. The needle work of the ladies was fine, and the mechanical lines of work were good, made by Harris Green. The pastor was presented with a purse of $30 and some gold coin. Reports were exceedingly grand. The Orchard Knob Quartette rendered some excellent music. The pastor was tendered a grand reception by the congregation. The members presented the pastor with some valuable presents, for which he thanked them.

MT. VERNON, OHIO.

Mrs. Chas. Blake and Miss Alma Blake spent Sunday, November 19, in Zanesville, O., the guests of Mrs. Ben Caliman, of 916 West Pine street....Mr. Grant Stewart, formerly of our city, who has been a member of Co. F, 25th infantry, U. S. A., has re-enlisted in Troop G. 10th cavalry, and is stationed at Fort Ethan Allen, Essex Junction, Vt....Mr. Sam Duskins has gone to Pittsburg, Pa., where he was called on account of the serious illness of his mother....The W. C. T. U. met at the residence of Mrs. Melinda Payne last week and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Alice Roy; vice president, Mrs. Elizabeth Copeland; treasurer, Mrs. M. Payne; secretary, Mrs. Bertha Payne ....Mr. Geo. Sites, of East Chestnut street, is confined to his bed with pneumonia....Mrs. John D. White, who has been ill is able to be about again.....The Twenty Century Club met at the residence of Mrs. Jennie May, 8 Cooper street. The afternoon was spent in embroidery work, after which the hostess served a luncheon ....Wayman Chapel A. M. E. church, Rev. John Coleman, pastor, preached both morning and evening, Sunday, November 26, Quarterly meeting, presiding elder Joshua Jones will preach....The Calvary Baptist church, Rev. A. A. Hampton preached both morning and evening. Friday, November 17, a concert was given under the direction of Miss Alma Blake....Mr. Horace Rousse, of the Rawls Trio, has purchased a set of Lyon & Healy $75 drums.

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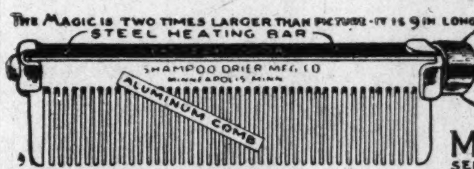

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A banquet and reception of unusual prominence was given by the waiters of the Hotel Gayoso, in honor of their headwaiter, Mr. W. Alonzo Locke, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lemon, 461 Union avenue. The affair was in the nature of an anniversary celebration, this being the end of the seventh year that Mr. Locke has spent there as the head of his department. The beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Lemon was artistically decorated in honor of the occasion, and the large, spacious halls and rooms afforded ample room for the many guests who were present. Card games of various kinds were played until 11:30 o'clock, at which time Mr. Lemon opened up the large dining hall, where covers were laid for fifty. Each place was marked by handsomely written place cards, and an artistic menu with the honorer's likeness on the front page. During the service of an elegant four-course dinner speeches were made by Messrs. A. C. Lemon, W. C. Austin, Wiley Glase, R. W. Golden, B. P. Vincent, Wm. James, G. P. Jones, W. E. Murry, James Cooper, W. M. Paschall, G. A. Priest, E. H. Grant, Walter M. Jones and C. B. Rucker. Each speaker touched upon the high character of Mr. Locke's life and of his value, both to his race and his employer. The guest of honor responded showing his high appreciation of the expressions of beautiful sentiment and the reception tendered him. Many ladies were present, Miss Wade coming all the way from Oklahoma City to be present. One feature of interest was a solo sung by Mr. Charley Smith and a recitation by Mr. Wm. Joyner. The evening closed with a neat b ut brief speech from Mrs. Locke, thanking the young men for all they had done and said. Mr. Walter H. Hammonds was toastmaster. Mr. Sam Young won the prize at cards.

ITEMS OF RACE INTEREST.

A company has been formed in Mound Bayou, Miss., to manufacture and sell ice.

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The State and Federal courts of Virginia have refused to appoint a receiver for the Grand Fountain of True Reformers at Richmond, Va.

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The local Negro Business League of Little Rock, Ark., has indorsed a million-dollar campaign looking forward to the better employment of Negroes.

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For the first time in thirty years Maryland went Republican at the recent election. The victory meant very much for the Negroes, who succeeded in defeating the Digges disfranchisement measures.

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An organization has been formed at Rocky Mount, N. C., under the name of the N. C. Farmers' Union, with the following aims set forth: (1) To secure the best prices for products; (2) to instruct the members in the latest and most improved methods of agriculture; (3) to produce and stimulate a high sense of honor and justice among the members; (4) to encourage education among the Negro race; (5) to eradicate the credit system and put the Negro farmer on a cash basis.

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It is not only in the United States that human life—i. e., the life of the Negro—is held in such cheap estimation. At Nakaru, in the East African Colony, the Hon. Galbraith Cole, a settler, was charged with having shot a native whom he accused of stealing one of his sheep. Mr. Cole, in the witness box, frankly admitted that he shot the native, who was found some time later dead. Nevertheless he was promptly acquitted by the jury.—The Lagos Standard, West Coast, Africa.

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The following is the beautiful recommendation of Miss Elizabeth Benson, the young colored lady now before the country in concert: "Miss Elizabeth Benson has completed a full course in harmony, counterpoint and orchestration at the University of Pennsylvania. Her work, while a student under my supervision, was extremely meritorious. She has now the honor of being the youngest alumnus of the Department of Music, University of Pennsylvania. I wish her well-merited success in her life work. Hugh A. Clark."

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The decision of the court in New York setting free the assailant of Dr. Booker T. Washington, the foremost Negro in the world, has caused the entire race to put on sackcloth and ashes. That this illustrious American, the blamelessness of whose life embodies the Christ-like spirit of meekness, humility and forgiveness of spirit, should be stricken down with impunity, fills the just and righteous mind with indignation for the assailant and infinite pity for the victim.—Kelly Miller, of Howard University.

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Mr. Nathaniel Ruffin, a well-known business man, is planning to establish a new hotel in Washington, D. C., for colored patrons. He sees a demand for a first-class hostelry in the West End, not far from the commercial center of that region. It is his purpose to form a company and purchase the Lexington apartment house at Twenty-first and L streets, Northwest, and remodel it into a hotel of about fifty rooms, with office, parlor, dining rooms and all necessary appurtenances. Papers have been drawn up and the architect is already at work on the plans. A number of reliable business men are said to be interested in the project, and it bears the ear marks of a success. The new hotel will be called "The Lexington."

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At a regular meeting of the boards, which have direct charge of the Sunday school and young people's work of the National Baptist Convention, held in Nashville, Tenn., it was decided that the seventh annual session of the Sunday School Congress should meet at Tuskegee Institute, Ala., thereby accepting from a vast number of invitations offered by some of the leading convention cities of the United States the one extended by Dr. Booker T. Washington, principal of Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute. At this meeting, which was held in the office of the secretary of the National Baptist Publishing Board and which was presided over by Rev. J. P. Robinson, D. D., of Little Rock, Ark., full expressions were made concerning the great success that has crowned every meeting of this congress movement.

SHELBYVILLE, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

At the Sunday morning service Rev. R. D. Leonard, of Indianapolis, filled the pulpit at the Second Baptist Church. Rev. Lyons, of Indianapolis, was on his way to Greensburg, and visted the Second Baptist Church. After the services he was the guest of Brother C. G. Alexander, of McKenzie street. After partaking of a repast and resting a while he boarded a car and resumed his journaye....On Monday evening, the 13th inst., death came to the home of Mr. Wm. Jenkins, of West Washington avenue, at 5:30 o'clock, and he passed away to that great beyond. He leaves his wife, a son, Frank, and a daughter, Miss Della, to mourn his loss. At 7:30 o'clock the same day Mr. Sanford Robinson, of Hogansville, departed this life. He leaves his wife and three sons and a host of relatives to mourn his loss. The Rev. R. D. Leonard, of Indianapolis, officiated at each funeral....The Sunday school at the Second Baptist Church was well attended, fifty-one being present....Mr. John Hines, of Walnut street, remains very ill....The revival at the Second M. E. Church will continue this week....Miss Ella Mill was a passenger to Indianapolis Saturday....The Piano Club met at the Second Baptist Church Monday night, and report a grand time....Mr. Allen Wallace, of South Pike street, fell from a load of wood Saturday and was painfully but not seriously hurt....Linnes Marshall is on the sick list....The Missionary Sisters of the Second Baptist Church will have a Thanksgiving dinner at the church, 26 West Hendricks street, Thursday, the 30th....The Ladies' Progressive Club will meet with Mrs. Curtis Gun, in Fourth street, Thursday of this week....Mr. Joe Bradford, formerly of Indianapolis, but now of this city, contemplates opening a cleaning and pressing establishment

MUNCIE, IND.

It was a pleasant evening at the banquet given by the Elevation Club of Muncie, Ind., on last Tuesday night, November 21, at the Pekin Hotel. The members of the club had a very enjoyable time. After all were served several members of the club made a few remarks, after which they adjourned.

ASHEVILLE, N. C.

The people of Asheville are waking up, especially our brickmasons. All are delighted with The Freeman....To all of his customers and friends, you will find The Freeman on sale by J. S. Staggs, at No. 1 Eighth street, C. T. Harrell's barber shop.

DENISON, TEX.

Much sickness and death prevail here. ....Cotton picking for all that care for it; wages good....Mrs. C. E. Nelson, dressmaker, has returned home....Rev. Carter, of the Baptist Church, delivered a splendid sermon last Sunday.

SELMA, ALA.

The officers of the Good Shepard Society held a business meeting in our city last Friday. The affairs of the order were gone over and a payment of $2,500 was made on the 3,500 acres of land purchased by the msome time ago. Under the management of an able board of directors, much real progress is being made by this worthy organization....The annual conference of the A. M. E. church will convene in this city on the 21st, at Brown chapel, which has recently been completed. The largest gathering in the history of the conference is expected. Presiding Elder Brooks is making ample arrangements for all....The Alabama Baptist state convention will meet in Brewton, Ala., on the 21st. A large delegation, headed by Dr. Gilbert, president of Selma University, Prof. R. B. Hudson, will leave tomorrow over the C. & N. railroad....Gri mdeath has visited our city and several of our oldest and most respected fellow citizens hav ebeen called up higher. Last Monday Mr. Robert Reagin, a widely-known and much respected citizen was buried from the A. M. E. church with Masonic honors. Mr. Reagin leaves a wife, two sons and three daughters to mourn his loss....Sunday at 2 o'clock, from Zion church occurred the funeral of Mr. Henry Preston, a very popular and very highly esteemed citizen. Mr. Preston was a musician of note who had traveled extensively. For the past seventeen years he had been engaged in the grocery business. He was at times organist and cornetist of Zion church, and a member of the board of trustees of that church. He was regarded as one of the quietest and most unpretentious of men. His pastor said of him that Zion church had lost a member who never refused or failed to come to the aid of the church, regardles sof the amount needed. Three brothers and a number of neices and nephews survive him. Mr. Preston was a member of several fraternities. The resolutions presented by his societies and the trustee board of his church were beautiful and touching. Peace to his ashes.

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Testimonials.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a married woman and have been for ten years. I had only lived six months in any peace on earth in my home until I consulted this worthy woman. Two years ago, and since then, my home, by taking her advice, has been all that any family could wish. I am your sister in Christ,

MRS. W. H. H.,
Sherman, Texas.

To Whom It May Concern:

My dear readers, you are missing half of your life in misery and shame, worrying with a man that will not try once to please you, cherish or comfort you, and hold a bright light of good moral conduct before his children, by making home happy. Now, listen; if you have sighed, worried, cried and pleaded with him, and to no avail, you pray and let Madame McNairdee advise you. I know you will never regret it. My husband was a drunkard, a run-about and around, a gambler, and the most wicked man that our Lord ever let live, until all at once, after reading so often of this woman, I took up courage and let her hear from me. oday, I will say it is on a stair-steps of ibles, I have a model man in every respect. I will praise this woman as long as I have breath. She made my husband a man, a husband, a gentleman.

I am yours in Christ and S. M. T.,
MRS. T. G. D.,
Oklahoma, Okla.

My Dear Friends:

I am now making my own volunteer statement because this lady has caused me to be so happy. I would like so much to give you my name, but I hope you know why. I went with a young man two years and we spat all the time. We were twice engaged and he would disappoint me, until I consulted this wonderful lady. Now we are married, and have been for near three years. He is so nice and kind to me. I told him a few months ago of this advice and he would not agree with me until he lost his job, and then made up his mind, and do you know that my husband has one of the best jobs of his life by consulting her. No matter what you want to do or know, let her hear from you, and I vow you will never regret it. I cannot help believing that she is sent of God to do just what she is doing, and you never hear of a thing ugly that she has done. I visited her during the K. of P. Supreme Lodge, and I never met a nicer lady. I am a Christian and a leader in a good many church clubs. We chatted a good deal of such things. I find her very entertaining. I am, as ever, her friend,

MRS. JOSIE T. M.,
Washington, D. C.

To Whom It May Concern.

I have always been one of those that did not give any thought of this until about four years ago I had a great trouble and it cost me almost every dime I had, and my mother asked me one day to tell some of this trouble to this woman that we read so much about in our papers. Mother says, "I feel that she can help you." I had to laugh with tears in my eyes, for I was in jail; then finally I said, "Suit yourself; anything now, so I come clear and get out of here." She let this woman hear from her and about me. We never can forget what this woman said in reply. She said in substance, "If you will pray and trust God, I will do the rest." And bless her to-day and forever. I was called to trial, and every witness that could be found spoke in my behalf, and those who did not could not be found. I was returned to jail twice and then set free. Do you blame me for saying she is a power unknown, to help those who seek her aid? I am now doing business for myself and making good. Every month I send her twenty dollars. I have done this for four months, and shall always divide my last dime with her. I am her friend at all times.

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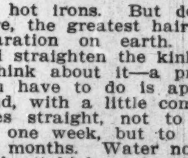

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Aviation is strictly a summer job and none too good at that.

If you have any money prepare to spend it now. Christmas came unusually early this year.

They ought to manage somehow to sell Negro dolls for the same price that white dolls are sold.

The election primary is a representative proposition, but somehow they can't make it appear serious.

It is said that the Lord blesses for the effort. Mayor Shank ought to be bountifully blessed. He tried to make it posssible for all to have turkey.

Dr. Booker T. Washington is taking the East by storm. Everywhere he is being received with the distinction due one who has accomplished so much.

At this writing the beautiful lies on the ground looking as cheerless as could be. The fact of the matter is that it's just a bit ahead of time. But the merchants doubtless will like it; it looks so Christmas like, and the feeling to spend comes on.

Sid Moore was let out of the city hall for petit grafting. He evidently came to the conclusion that there was a little chance of graft in a little office just as there is a big chance in a big office. He got busy; did a shady transaction. It was bunglesome, leaving clews that fairly talked. Now Moore is no more.

We thank
For Mayor Shank,
Sweet reasonableness man.
In the interest of pots and pan.
Brought down turkeys from their perch,
Also potatoes with a lurch.
All things else come a-tumbling down,
Middlemen, too, a few cents per pound
Can you beat it?

A campaign of education is fair enough for the Aldrich monetary plan or any other master policy for the nation if it expects popular support. The great men, those of congress and elsewhere too often think that because they understand that all understand. The schooling the nation got on gold and silver as a final money made a walking delegate for gold out of the meanest citizen, and it was worth while.

It begins to look as if we are to have Military park just as it is. It will be so if the great majority have their way. Doubtless we are at the mercy of those having the matter in hand, but they are supposed to be interested as the citizens are interested. The practical advice of the community, backed up by the logic of hospital situations offered in the daily papers, ought to prove convincing to the board of trustees.

The President's message will be really interesting this year. The country is anxious to know what he is thinking about. Someone has said that diplomacy is the act of concealing the thoughts. Perhaps it were so in the past, but nowadays, and in our country it has been found necessary to be extremely explicit. Mr. Taft's forthcoming message, it is thought, will leave no doubt as to what he means, especially as it concerns the greater questions before the country.

Wendell Phillips, of blessed memory, was memorialized appropriately in Boston November 29th. He will be remembered as one of those princes of agitators, and in favor of human liberty. He was sublime, a godman, who chose, like another illustrious character, to stand in the scales alone if necessary against what he considered a world sin. He was a white man; he stood for the black man. No! he stood for the black man's hope; every man's hope—the utmost freedom. He is dead! He lives! All honor to him!

Colored dolls for colored children is all right, since we declare that it is not social equality that's wanted. A sermon could be very well preached along this line—about ideals and so forth. There's no reason why they can't make little colored dolls just as pretty as little white dolls. Of course, after that there's one more question, that of teaching the thing of physical beauty. We do that all right, but is it fair to the ugly folks? But after all, are there any ugly folks? Isn't it as one sees it? To appear beautiful to her, to him, is it quite often as otherwise.

Boston and vicinity is making much ado concerning the centenary of Wendell Phillips. That state, Massachusetts, seems particularly desirous of maintaining its reputation as the cradle of liberty. Were the famed abolitionist living he would have been one hundred years old Wednesday, November 29.

The cradle of liberty is no mean dictinction. In fact, it requires a fine order of men who feel to lay down their lives for other men should it become necessary. The ardor in liberty's behalf, perhaps, is the spirit of descent from Plymouth Rock. To be free, untrammeled in their religious worship caused the Pilgrim Fathers to seek that "stern and rock-bound coast." It must have been a fine order of men and women that could tempt the unknown seas without chart or compass, holding life foolish and in vain if directed in its greater movement from without.

Plymouth Rock thus stands as that heathen altar, where the fire never dies; it may flare up, does flare up on occasions like this, when remembering the high priests of the cult; Wendell Phillips and others; it may slumber as neath monks' cowls, but be not deceived, it lingers, and lingering, like those serving, who yet wait.

The Negroes of Boston and of the state of Massachusetts have not escaped their environment. The effluvia of the descent has surrounded them, and they feel that such occasions as Wendell Phillips' centenary are opportunities. Phillips, GarrisonL, Lovejoy, Douglass are freedom's saints as it concerns the Negro race. The times, custom does not permit this canonization as the church her heroes, but a grateful people sees to it that they are with us excepting in bodily presence.

EDITORIAL SQUIBS.

They say 5,000 Negroes will march to the White House to impress the President on some favorable measures for the race; but don't you think it will be time and money thrown to the four winds?—Newport (Ark.) Weekly Headlight.

Yes, it would be. Where we should make the most impressive march would be to the ballot box.—The Freeman.

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In a speech at Louisville, Ky., in 1880, Fred Douglass said, "The Republican party is the ship; all else is the sea." Not so; for all parties are at sea now. Since that time things and conditions have changed.

BISHOP WALTERS TAKES THE STUMP.

In a recent address before the Young Men's Christian Association at Norfolk, Va., Bishop Walters, of the A. M. E. Zion Church, delivered a very entertaining address on the political issues, saying that Republican allegiance has brought about the political dethronement of the race. The bishop saw fit to assail the Taft administration strongly for the far-seen prejudice steps taken by the President against the Negro.

THE FIRST UNIVERSAL RACES CONGRESS.

A short time ago we presented one of the many questions prepared by the authority of the First Universal Races Congress, which met in London University, July 28 and 29, 1911, at London, England. The questions were meant for discussion by that body to ascertain the best thoughts of the world—representative intelligence—with the view of elimination, re-erection, reconstruction or anything that tended to lessen the distance between the races, or to make less that divergence which is now noted between the races.

The one question presented by us bore on the customs of races, their civilization and the races per se, inquiring after their standard in the sense of superiority. In presuming to discuss the question we took the view that there was such a thing as superior civilization, measuring civilization by a commonly agreed standard—our own country for instance. We said, that the congress should have designated a standard of civilization since it is not fair to presume that our own civilization is the one above all others without the majority consent. It may be that what appeals to us as best may not appeal to the Arabs or the Indians or Chinese. But if the stress of the world is towards our civilization we may well conclude that our civilization is ideal. But at that it has not the stamp of authority such as could have been given by representations of enlightened men from the races most concerned.

It goes without saying that the questions as set forth, each one of them with its several divisions, would require a big book for satisfactory discussion. This is particularly true of the following question, which is but one of the many: "Do you consider that the physical and mental characteristics observable in a particular race are (1) permanent, (2) modifiable only through ages of environmental pressure, or (3) do you consider that marked changes in popular education, in public sentiment, and in environment generally, may, apart from intermarriage, materially transform physical and especially mental characteristics in a generation or two?

Doubtless it is apparent that a brief newspaper discussion cannot do justice to such a great question. Nor do we feel called on to discuss these questions. Yet they are pertinent, are interesting and right along the line of racial endeavor from the viewpoint of those feeling that they are at a disadvantage in the warfare of life owing to the known views on race superiority.

However, in thinking on the first part of the question we are reminded of an illustration in the Literary Digest of November 25th. Under the caption of "The Disappearing Jews of China" is an article tending to show that the physical characteristics and mental are not permanent, the inference being that climatic influences have a part to play and that other indefinable something—the soul of a country which stamps its individuality in the features, making for its own without the shadow of a doubt. The article in part says:

"The Jewish race, which has practically preserved its race integrity elsewhere throughout the world, has found the overpowering numbers and race-influence of China too much for them. Remnants still remain of a colony that settled there twenty centuries ago, but their race traditions are now only a vague memory, as William Edgar Geil, who has visited them, tells us in his recent work on the "Eighteen Capitals of China."

We are not made to clearly understand that intermarriage has done its worst for the pure Jewish type referred to. The impression is, but vague, that the soul of the country has stamped its features in Semitic faces. The illustration given, a family group of the remnant is wholly Mongolian, showing one of two things, that the well known racial integrity of the Jews has given away to mixed marriage or that the psychology of the country has placed Chinese features on those Jews.

In either event the purposes of the congress are served, since both conditions are of the thing social economy, are interesting in the truths presented. The illustration could easily stand for an exhibition of the result of the lateral pressure of a multi-millions force, and from all sides against the diamond like attitude of marital integrity of the Jews, rendering the originals nil in the descent. Or it could stand for the remarkable thing of changed physiognomy and manners in compliance with some higher law which, like the winds, blows without man being the wiser of the whence or whither.

TRUE REFORMERS ESCAPE RECEIVERSHIP.

We are pleased to note that the True Reformers organization is not fated for a receivership. The organization has made a tremendous struggle to maintain its integrity. The great body of its members has been deceived by a few head officials, who either were too stupid to understand statistics as they apply to insurance companies, or else they willfully appropriated the funds to their use. In either case they are inexcusable and deserve the wrath of the law that seeks to overtake them.

The good intentions of the organization are easily seen through the efforts to live. It has proven worthy of living through the efforts. It is very fortunate that the State authorities and those of the judiciary of Virginia looked at the affairs of the institution with a degree of unusual leniency. Had they done otherwise, had they done what was in their power to do, or what the enemies of the organization cared to have done, the receiver would have been appointed, and without doubt the affairs would have been wound up.

The motives of the institution are praiseworthy, and while at times vaulting in ambition, never departed from the lines of industrialism, having in mind the betterment of the masses. Designing men or stupid men got in the fore of the concern. They took great salaries—too great for an institution of its character. Features were introduced, and while all right as features, they fell to the management of incompetent men and dishonest men. The order was not able to exert that fine supervision necessary for poorly equipped men. And thus a splendidly conceived order went from bad to worse, until the day of exposure—the denouement, to express it theatrically.

The True Reformers organization can succeed as any other lodge, but it must be conducted on the same principles. There's nothing new under the sun. The proposition won't have to be revised for lodges and insurance companies. There's no quick rich methods to be discovered. The Richmond Grand Fountain will have to get wise to the fact, and govern itself accordingly. The white people of Virginia have stood by the True Reformers when, according to evidence, they should have been broken up. It was simply a case of mercy. The Freeman has always extended that feeling. And now, since there seems a chance to live, things should be said, strong things. The order has the same right to exist as any other, but not if it does differently. We congratulate them on their prospects, and hold out our hands to those big-hearted white men who know and understand.

A little moral: There are sometimes touching points in the parallel existence of the two races.

NO MAN A HERO TO HIS VALET.

A man is not a hero to his valet because the man is seen as he is, just as the congregation at St. George's Church, New York, last Sunday saw Mr. J. P. Morgan fall with the collection platter.

Mr. Morgan's valet has seen him stumble and fall, one will think, just as other men stumble and fall; he has seen him fretful and petulant, perhaps, about his collar and necktie being awry after efforts at adjustment, or his collar button that fell and went ascudding right in the bric-a-bac, leaving no sign or note of its definite whereabouts.

One will think that the men and women of vast means—with servants at every beck and call—would like, at times, to get away from even those eyes, so that they may be real men and real women, acting as other men and women. If they stumble and fall they can feel to say, "O, pshaw/" or a little stronger, if you please; get up, "brush themselves off" and keep on going. As it is, there are your formal eyes of maid servant, man servant and higher domestic factotums who are ever ready with their "Did it hurt you, my lord?" or something of the kind. One is reminded of the claques in a theater, or the hired mourners at a funeral—so formal, so cold.

Perhaps it is not quite so bad as that. Now and then we read of mutual attachment of servant and master, when real tears or shed over the calamities on either hand. Perhaps, generally, there is a feeling for the employer entertained by the employed that is not actuated merely by the amount of wages received.

EQUALITY OF FACILITIES.

Equality of facilities decisions, as they concern Jim Crow cars, have not been very effective in the past. From all accounts the same old conditions have gone right along in the same old way. The Interstate Commerce Commission long ago spoke its speech, but nothing came of what it had to say. That distinguished body seemed to be without compelling power.

The Supreme Court of the United States has at last spoken, affirming the decision of the commission as it concerned the question of passenger accommodation. It remains to be seen whether the higher authority, in its expression, carries also compelling power.

The very best that may be done by way of equal facilities in passenger coaches will not be held all that should be done. The condition, the times in which we live forbid that even-handed justice should be meted out to every citizen of a country. Hence we find these extra provisions of cars and conveyances of various kinds meant to set up differences in the quality of the citizens, and in accordance with the demand.

Much is urged to justify such a condition, and some of which is reasonable enough. The Negroes within themselves are not strangers to the fact that the bulk is not so well prepared in the ways of civilization as the bulk of the whites, consequently submit to whatever is in reason imposed, notwithstanding the fact that there are Negroes of refinement, and who suffer accordingly.

The "Jim Crow" system, a sign of the division of the races, has been accepted, owing to conditions—both genuinely and with protest, notwithstanding the business is a departure from the spirit and letter of the general laws of the land.

Those surrendering in the interest of the peace of society and accepting conditions imposed, did so with the view that the contract to give them the same consideration given others for the same money would be faithfully carried out. This, more plainly stated, meant that if separate cars were provided that they would be no less than other cars for other passengers. And all of this was promised. The officials of the roads said so; state authorities legislated so; the Interstate Commerce Commission decided so; and, finally, the Supreme Court of the country has affirmed so. It ought to be so, even without all of this omnipotent appearing machinery.

The Negroes are rapidly learning to care more for themselves; and it may be that this very system is no small factor in the teaching. Perhaps, if things had went as hoped for in the beginning, there would have been stress of the few that had made it in the world to desert those that had not done so well, and so on until a very ugly condition presented. But this is aside from the question. The fact is that the Negroes are becoming mutually appreciative; not nearly so much as they should be, but vastly more than they were a few years ago. They are learning that there can be Negro society where they can feel as if they were somewhere; that there are Negro men and women deserving of profound respect, owing to attainments and accomplishments. To be in the presence of these albeit in proscribed cars does away with the proscription—changes the coefficient until it pairs with that of the society of elsewhere.

It means that where there are equal facilities and accommodations there will be but little complaint against any system of discrimination.

The omnipotent forces of state and country ought to be able to carry out their portion of the contract since they see to it most strictly that our part is carried out. The citizen is not to be better than the state, by the principles of government.

THE GAY REVELERS—SOME AFTERTHOUGHTS.

The mirthful observation of Hallowe'en promises to be a fixed event in the civic life of Indianapolis and vicinity. Mayor Shank is original and unique in some of his ways as the chief executive of the city—big with sympathy for the common people, entering into their life—seeing from their viewpoint—compelling the best for them, as he views it, and as it is given him to do so. He stands for reasonable potatoes and other eatables, compelling the situation, and for all the innocent fun possible without violation of laws and decency. The tip once given that the fun was to be on without let or hindrance, the evening was made memorable.

The gay revelers reminded one of "Over the bridge they go" of song and story—old "Lunnun" bridge with the great and varied throngs that gang the ways, laughing, chatting; king and peasant; priest and rogue, all—this counterfeit world was more faithful than they knew. If we take dress and countenance — those masques — they told the same story of vain desire, or desire in vain—grossly exaggerated, but the truer for that. Behind the masques often were their appositions, what the individuals would be if they had had their say as to the choice of their fates, or being tired of their present state, chose to fling off for the moment self and try a bit of the life that appeals.

They made "huge merriment" as "over the bridge they go," at being not what they seemed.

"Life is real, life is earnest." But Abe Martin would very likely say, Yes, but all work and no play would make Jack decidedly ill at ease.

Here is your civic vent as Fourth of July is a civic vent, and as we have also made Christmas and Thanksgiving playdays in the stern march of civilization, when the too strenuous life, with tension taut, relaxes in interest of tomorrow's firmer grip.

Through the revelry come flashes of the serious. One was again reminded of Joseph Addison's allegory of human discontent. And yet a certain kind of discontent is a civic, an industrial and an educational essential, or else its opposite. "Self-sufficiency" would rule to the detriment of the individual's best possible condition. Addison thought there was too much discontent with the individual's makeup. Nowhere was that supreme satisfaction at the endowment of nature. He pictured individual flinging in one great heap what they called their physical deformities, permitting others to gather up the discarded noses, eyes, mouths, in place of their own, with a view of bettering their physical appearance. The exchange meant for a sorry condition, and too gladly did they choose to recast their fortunes, each one choosing his old self, rather than merely a change of deformities.

Many of the Hallowe'en revelers doubtless changed for the moment relations of life. The poor became the rich and strutted in gaudy attire; but more than likely if they had been suddenly bereft of their associations and joy as they know and translated to some cold isolation of the very rich, with its artificial life, they would have rued back gladly enough. The young would be the old, lifting the veil of dread experiences. The old would be young again, rehearsing the God forbid the past, and so on. We may well conclude with Addison to be content with our lot. Exchange would simply mean a shifted misery. Hear Longfellow:

"Yours is but the common fate of all;
Into each life some rain must fall."

STARKVILLE, MISS.

(By N. F. Daily.)

The remains of Miss Esther Bell, age 18, were buried on November 10th. Her death brought sadness to her many friends....Miss Lucy Cornell departed last week for Kokomo City....Miss Ella Henderson left last week for Pine Bluff, Ark., to visit her sister....Mr. Fred McPell, aged 16, died on last Tuesday. The remains were buried at Montgomery cemetery. The funeral was preached at Ebenezer Baptist church by Rev. J. W. Winston......The Freeman can be procured at the Watson Eyes Co. every Saturday....The Gulf Coast Tropical Fair opened on November 21st, for ten days. The fair is alright and was an excellent exhibit, giving opportunity to this and and the adjoining counties....The Negroes were given a space in one of the buildings and their efforts were crowned with success, the work of the colored school children was very good, and the Booker T. Washington school, under the management of Prof. C. W. Hill, had work of each grade, displayed in quite an artistic manner, the teachers are due much creditfor the splendid effort in their line. The band from Tuskegee Institute was in the city throughout the fair. This band being composed of forty-five pieces, representing the various states and the West Indies. The band gave entire satisfaction, and the director, Captain Smith, deserves much praise for the manner in which he has trained the boys. Last Monday was Negro Day at the fair and large crowds visited, sightseeing and listening to that part of the program.

COLUMBIA (MO.) ITEMS.

Fred Douglass High School 15; Montgomery High School, 0. The Douglass high school team covered itself with glory and made Coach J. Z. Mozeley feel proud of them. High schools in Missouri desiring games the second Saturday after Thanksgiving or next fall, write Principal H. L. Cox, north east corner Garth avenue and Ash street, or J. Z. Moseley, 301 Garth avenue......Miss Erma Bruce, our efficient teacher of English and German, contracted a severe cold while witnessing the L. I. and Columbia game three weeks ago, and has gone to Leavenworth, Kan., in hopes of recuperating......Mrs. B. K. Bruce, of Leavenworth, Kan., came to Columbia, Saturday to take her daughter, Miss Erma, home. Miss Erma has been quite sick......Mr. Square Grant came down from Kansas City to visit his father and witness the Missouri and Kansas football game. Square is a fine boy and always welcome to his old home.....Principal C. G. Rivere, of Montgomery, Mo., came over with his football team....Mr. Dudley is here visiting his wife and her people. We are glad to see Mr. Dudley looking so well....Our druggist, Geo. O. Caldwell, is pleasing the people by carefully and promptly filled prescriptions and other articles an up-to-date druggist carries....Mr. Huston Schmeisch, who was recently graduated from Howard hparmaceutical department, was here Saturday witnessing the Missouri and Kansas game......Rev. J. E. Edwards, who, in October, was sent by the North Missouri conference to take charge of the church in Columbia, is the right man in the right place. The Sunday school and Endeavor, which was practically dead, have grown in attendance from twenty to seventy, and are still growing. They are after the prizes offered by the Sunday School Union....The Baptist Sunday school has a splendid program the first Friday in December for the benefit of the public library. This program will consist of the talent of the four Sunday schools and the auxiliaries of the four churches....The Dunbar Literary Society will render a special program the second Thursday evening in December. The proceeds to defray the expenses of the delegates to the interstate, during the holidays......For The Freeman see William Moseley, or call at corner of Garth avenue and Pembleton.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

The Nimrods' Pink Soiree a Complete Success.

The pink soiree, given by the Nimrods at the coorled Knights of Pythias hall, on Thursday evening, November 23, was largely attended and the campaign fund of this section of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal workers materially increased. The entertainment was largely devoted to musical numbers....Mrs. Mayme Morton died at the county farm, Friday morning, November 24, following an illness of about a year, due to dropsy. She was about forty years old and is survived by her husband and a third cousin, Mrs. F. J. Jordan, of Champaign. She was taken to Danville for burial....Mrs. Emma Moore, of Bloomington, has completed her Poro-course, which she has been taking under Mrs. S. L. Beatty. Mrs. Emma Moore has returned home and will begin business for herself in the Poro treatment....Roscoe Brewer, the only colored half-back that plays on the Urbana team, is doing some great work on the football team. In a contest between Urbana and Rockford, Brewer was the first to score for Urbana. Captain Skinner of the Rockford team, misplaced his rabbit foot Friday and was unable to have it when the officials tossed up, as a consequence of losing so valuable a keepsake, Rockford kicked off to Urbana in the face of a stiff wind. The first quarter was uneventful, the score standing 0 to 0, at the close. Brewer, halfback for the down-state team, grabbed the pigskin during the first minute of play in the second quarter and ran thirty yards for a touchdown. Captain Maxwell successfully executed a goal, making the score 6 to 0 in favor of Urbana. Urbana was defeated by a score of 30 to 6, and if it had not been for Brewer they would have been defeated by a larger number of scores....Miss Mary Gaines, a student of the Champaign high school, will spend Friday and Sunday with her parents at Broadlands, Ill. She will return Sunday evening to enter school Monday morning......The Monarch Club gave a dance Wednesday night, November 28, and there was also a dance given by Mr. and Miss Willie M. Jones, of Paxton, at Paxton, Thursday night, November 30. Johnson's orchestra furnished the music for both dances.

SHERMAN, TEXAS.

The Black Patti Troubadours open here at the Opera House December 2. They will play "In the Jungles." Quite a large crowd of the theater goers will attend....Prof. Earnest Johnson, of the famous Royal Orchestra, is making good nowadays as a famous cornetist....Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt A. Anderson and little son Leon left Saturday morning, November 25, for Louisville, Ky., to be gone for one year. Mr. Anderson goes there to be employed with a big construction company. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are among Texas' leading people, he being a high Mason....Copies of this paper can be found at the Gem Cafe, old phone 555, the Evergreen Cafe and Carson's Tonsorial Parlors

DR. WASHINGTON CARRIES NEW ENGLAND.

Addresses Crowded Meetings in and About Boston—Enthusiastically Received by Harvard Students. Received by the Students at Harvard.

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 29.—During the past week Dr. Booker T. Washington, principal of the Tuskegee Institute, has been in and about Boston and over New England, busily engaged in delivering a series of addresses and bringing to thousands a message of hope and optimism regarding the future of the Negro in America.

The leaders of thought and opinion in this section have been thrilled by the eloquence and saneness of his utterances, and everywhere he has been enthusiastically received.

Thursday night, October 23, Dr. Washington spoke to a cultured audience in the large Colonial Theater at St. Johnsbury, Vt. Arriving in Boston on Friday, he spoke that evening under the auspices of the Brotherhood Club of the West Medford Congregational Church, one of the most fashionable houses of worship in that wealthy suburb.

On Saturday afternoon, at 1 o'clock, Dr. Washington was the guest of honor at a luncheon given at the Twentieth Century Club, an organization composed of the most prominent business and professional men in the Hub City, and one which just two days before had entertained President Lowell, of Harvard University.

At 2:30 o'clock that same afternoon Dr. Washington spoke under the auspices of the Heptorean Club, the most exclusive women's literary organization in Sommerville, Mass., and one of the largest women's clubs in New England.

The climax of Dr. Washington's series of triumphal meetings was reached on Monday night, October 27, when he addressed the Harvard students in the Harvard Union Clubhouse, Cambridge, Mass. The large living room of the union was packed with students, professors and their friends, and standing room was a premium.

The subject of Dr. Washington's address was "Negro Progress." Taking the figures of the last census as a basis, he showed the wonderful progres made by the Negro in the lat ten years. His talk was full of wit and wisdom; and time and again he was cheered to the echo, and at the conclusion given such an ovation as only college students know how to give.

A Harvard professor, who was present, was heard to say: "Dr. Washington's address tonight was one of the finest I have ever heard anywhere, and I have heard all the great orators of our time. In the matter of holding an audience and arousing their enthusiasm, I consider Dr. Washington the peer, if not the superior, of any living orator."

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The biggest knockers on earth are a bunch of performers and the most jealous set are the same kind of people.

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There are more producers, playwrights, song writers, actors, etc., combined in one among colored performers than any other race on the stage and what surprises me, many of them cannot read or write even.

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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

The Katrons at the Brown Theater, New York.

Aida Overton Walker and girls at the Howard Theater, Washington, D. C., this week.

Rastus and Banks are traveling this week on their way to Russia to fill an engagement.

Peat and Hayes are at the Crescent Theater, Brooklyn, N. Y., this week, and are scoring heavily.

The Miller Family is still a success as musical artists in Washington, scoring big wherever they appear.

De Koven Thompson and Russell Smith are the authors of a new song entitled "When Tomorrow Comes."

John W. F. Woods, ventriloquist, at the Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis, this week. One of the best there is.

Hear the Crown Garden orchestra, the new bunch? Sounds like Madison Square Garden music. O, you Ringling Bros. bunch!

The Colored Stage Professionals' Annual—Complete, authentic, but not without you. We make it possible for all to get in it.

Vance R. Lowry, the banjo king, is playing at the Unique Theater, New York City, this week. He sends regards to all his friends.

The Coffeys at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, are a fine pair. Good wardrobes, taking ways, a fine line of talk and good songs.

Illa Vincent won from Billy Link at the Pekin theater, Chicago, last week. The new play, "Carib," will be reviewed by Mr. Russell next week.

The Crown Garden, Indianapolis, is keeping up its fine line of shows. Tim Owsley, manager, is determined to give the public a run for its money.

The Colored Stage Professionals' Annual, a who's who book. Circulars forwarded in a few days with full information. Freeman Publishing Co.

Earl Walker, of the New Walker theater, Indianapolis, is watching the work go on with considerable delight. The new theater will be a peach, according to report.

The Brooks-Smith Players at the Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis, are a happy bunch. They are delivering. Some fetching girls and clever fellows among them.

The Christmas issue of The Freeman will be devoted to the interests of the race. The stage will be set forward in an interesting and attractive way. Get in it. Write for terms.

The Muses are having great success with their latest comedy sketch "Macbeth," at the Ideal Theater, Kansas City, Mo., this week with the Crown Garden at Indianapolis, Ind., to follow. Regards to all the profession.

Copeland and Payton at the Colonial Theater, Akron, Ohio, December 4, and the week of December 11 at the Orpheum Theater, Harrisburg, Pa.

Karle Cooke and Nicholas Jefferson have composed a new song, "I Beg to Be Excused," which will be published soon by a New York publisher.

Smile and Terry will winter at Cape Girardeau, Mo. Billy Terry wins in his song, "Sure, I Know the Man." Smile sings with success "When You Are in Town Call Around."

Zebb Marigault, that funny fellow with the wide feet, after five successful weeks in Augusta, Ga., took charge of the theater in Akers, S. C., the 26th. Would like to hear from all acts.

The Carolina Four are scoring a big success at the vaudeville houses in Washington, D. C. Their comedy singing and dancing are a scream from start to the finish. This week they are playing at the Blue Moose.

Billy E. Jones, the singing comedian, is singing "Beautiful Doll" and "Crazy 'Bout the Turkey Trot" this week at the Lincoln Theater, Washington, owing to the success these songs received last week.

"The Darktown School Days," a new act under the management of R. McPherson, Chris Smith and Jesse Shipp, will open at the Fourteenth Street Theater, New York. The act is headed by Andrew Tribble and Jeff DeMont.

Lou Hall has recently started out in the theatrical world, impersonating. The ever famous comedian, Clifford Ross, made his first appearance at the Savoy theater. Is he making good⅜ Why sure, going big every night. Managers get busy.

McNeil and McNeil, after three successful weeks at the Globe theater, Jacksonville, Fla., closed and are now at the Grand, Chattanooga, Tenn. The team sends regards to all friends and knockers and says see us in the Christmas number.

Joe Winn has joined hands with Little Carrie Nugent, the dancing demon. The team is now Winn and Nugent. Joe Winn is cleaning up singing "I Ain't Nobody's Fool," and Carrie is screaming them with her eccentric dancing. This team is headed for Florida.

THE CROWN GARDEN THEATER INDIANAPOLIS.

Tim E. Owsley, Manager.

The New Orchestra.

The Crown Garden theater has a new orchestra, and it is some orchestra. The sudden departure of the old set left 'em guessing about the Crown Garden's future music. The new manager had been busy, however, and on last Tuesday evening the orchestra pit was filled with new faces excepting one, Johnson, the pianist.

The new players are no novices; they eat up music. If one follows Ringling Bros. year after year, making those parades, he's got to go some. Well that's what some of the boys have been doing, especially R. Roy Pope, leader of Ringling Bros'. annex show band and Walter Hensen, a member of the band. These take cornet and trombone respectively. And the old Crown Garden theater gets some swell stuff as ever came out of a horn. They were all there; even the pianist caught the enthusiasm and thumped away as he had not done before. The violinist got ambitious, and the sweet strains of his instrument filled all the air as a rare incense. The big drums, the little drums and the battery of accessories fired away, adding to the gayety of the occasion. The audience caught the feeling, and became jubilant. It called the boys back and they cheerfully did it over again. It was a huge success. The orchestra is as follows: Al. Johnson, leader, pianist; Joseph M. Quinterio, violinist; R. Roy Pope, cornetist; Walter Henson, trombonist and Henry Woods, drummer.

Luella Price.

The bill this week is made up of good attractions. In some respects exceeding most of them that have so far been presented. Luella Price is a pleasing singer with a great big voice, which she knows how to use. She is passionate and appealing in her tones, and in her gestures and movements. She soon gets her audience with her. In her song, "I wonder What Makes Me Love You So," she had splendid opportunity for voice and acting. Also in her song, "All Gone Now." Her acting in the last song was effective and pretty. She is nicely received.

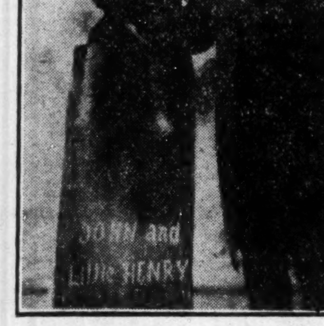
Coffey and Coffey.

This is quite a notable team. The male member shows a versatility throughout the work. His talk is his own and exceedingly happy in humor, much of which is quaint and out of the ordinary. In short, he had a bran new line of goods to offer and they went. He got all he was looking for by way of laughs and applause. Coffey's wardrobe is fitting, corresponding with the character. He makes a hit with his own song, "Soft Black." Miss Coffey is a pleasing performer; she is graceful in her movements and displays tact in the running talks with her partner. Her contralto voice is richtoned and carries well. She enters the work with soul, the result tells on the audience, and is appreciated. Like her partner, she is fittingly costumed adding to a rather pretty figure. The pair bid fair to become great favorites in Indianapolis. They will make good anywhere.

THE COFFEYS.

John W. F. Woods.

Woods presents a novelty act, the best novelty seen at the Crown Garden so far. Woods is a sure enough ventriloquist, and who will have to be seen to be understood. The management should feel itself lucky in being able to present such an artist. He makes "Henry," his doll do a line of comedy that the biggest of the comedians would not be ashamed of. This, in addition to the perfect control of his lips, gives a go to Woods' performances that is not known to other ventriloquists. He is also an originator and of course a good thinker. He studies the public and consequently has succeeded greatly because he gave what was wanted. No act presented at the Crown Garden has been better received than that of John W. F. Woods, ventriloquist.



JOHN WOODS.

The Brooks-Smith Players.

This company of capable performers are making good. They present in their second week, "The Lady Barber Shop," a little skit affording ample opportunity for lots of fun. The opportunity is not neglected, and the audiences are kept at the highest point of merriment until the end of the act. Speedy Smith, as Lize, the boot black, is a show in himself. Something doing every moment when Lize is on. Appropriate songs are sung and some fetching movements on the part of the winsome misses are observed, especially in the finale.

The Cast.

Mazie, the Cashier.........Mrs. Coffey

The Lady Barbers.

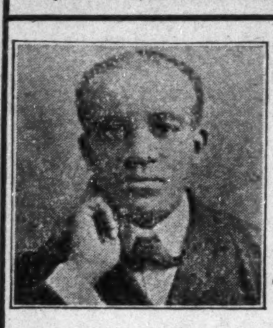
Pansy ....Theresa Burroughs
Blossom ....Trixie Smith
Daisy ....Ludelle Price
Violet ....Pearl Lee
Mr. Kelly, proprietor of the shop....
....John Smith
Sporty Jeff ....Johnnie Woods
Speedy Smith as Lize. The Boot Blackers

BILLY.

NOTES FROM WALTER G. TINSLEY'S ANNEX BAND AND MINSTREL, WITH GENTRY BROS.' SHOW.

We bid farewell to the white tops for the season of 1911, for the season closes December 2nd, at Victoria, Tex., where we will all part until about March 9, 1912, for a long season. The show will winter this season at San Antonio Tex. We have had a very successful season with the exceptions of a fire and a railroad wreck. Neither of those accidents interrupted or caused us to lose a performance. Walter Tinsley, of Louisville, our leader, has charge of the band again next season and expects to have with him some of the very best musicians. The band will be much larger. Mr. A. Windecker, our side-show manager, has been very much pleased with the bunch and with Tinsley at the head of the staff, Walter Tinsley and Bert Davis will spend the winter at their homes in Louisville, Ky. Ed. Wells, Tyler, Tex.; Kilmer Jackson and Grandison Madison, Galveston, Tex.; Boisey Gray and Tommie Stevens, undecided; Chas. Wallace, Corsicana, Tex.; Slim Mason will be seen with Lowery & Morgan's minstrels. Best regards to all in the profsession and wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC



CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW

By Sylvester Russell

Thanksgiving week began auspiciously with strong bills as the attractions for the week at all the houses. Owing to the fact that the Freeman had to go to press a day ahead of time I was unable to see all the openings on Monday night. I took in the Monogram at 7:30, thence to the Choral Study at 9, ending at the Grand at 10:15. The new dramatic production "Carib," which opened at Mott's Pekin Theater, and the Phyllis Wheatley Home annual Thanksgiving matinee benefit, will be reviewed in the next issue.

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The Choral Study Club at Institutional Church Makes Good Impression.

The thirty-fourth concert of the Choral Study Club, with Gerald Tyler, baritone, as the soloist, drew out a very select audience to Dr. Cary's church. Four part song choruses opened the program. "At Evening" was even and sympathetic, as was "A Shadow" and "Come Away" was melodious and given with a good spirit of expressiveness. Mr. Tyler then appeared and sang a "Hindoo Song" nd "In the Time of Violets," by Lohr. While his voice is inadequate in power an dlimited in range, he is nevertheless a genuine baritone, well cultivated and sings with that sympathy of expression which appeals to the higher art. He was given a most hearty reception, justly won, even if he did take his upper notes in falsetto. "astilla," that trying male song drama by Protheroe, was again sorely butchered. I heard it at the Y. M. A. auditorium last season to no better advantage. It seems to overtax the tenors, who are weak, and the entire male chorus lacked courage. S. Colridge Taylor's Bon Bon Suite was again a welcomed visitor. "The Magic Mirror" was well imbued with passionfire. Here Gerald Tyler showed his middle notes to be perfect, but his base register fails in tone quality. But in "Such quoth the youth is woman's love!" He showed skillful contrasts in force and shading. In the "Fairy Boat" the chorus outdid itself; those cataracts were gems, and St. Clair White as leading violinist covered herself with glory in the symphonic passages.

M. Gertrude Jackson and Mrs. P. S. Blair were the capable accompanists. Mr. Pedro T. Tinsley deserves great praise for his work and conductorship of arduous labor. The soprano singers were especially strong on this occasion, and the audiences must be more lenient with their applause if they desire to get all the good things they least expect from this most creditable organization.

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Joe Simms' Minstrels and the Imperial White Trio Make Hits at the Grand.

Joe Simms led the way and stood out by himself as the star of the Grand minstrels, which will be kept on all the week. The stage was handsomely set, and the actresses were all handsomely gowned. Young Mayo was the opposite end man. His work was good, but he was a little too frisky among the female singers. Lizzie Wallace, Madaline Cooper (the original kinky) and Rose Brown all made hits in their selections.

The Imperial Trio, three magnificent singers, including a great contralto with a rich voice, was the best among the white contingent; but the Martin grotesque comedy act scored.

Others were Logan and Ferris in a military act, and Jeanette Adler, who sang a song at the pinno that would make her a star only in the "red light" district.

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Butler May and Lucretia Knox Score Heavily at the Monogram.

Old String Beans, who is very young off the stage and happy enough to make people laugh at all times and lucky enough to escape the nose cap of the critics, gave us a portean specialty in the first scene of a new sketch by himself and Sweetie May, who is now nearly dressed to death and more pretty than ever. Beans, or Butler, May is fast becoming the "candy" of State street, and his popularity and improvement bid fair to measure arms with lucky Joe Simms.

Lucretia Knox, still popular and in good voice, sang two classical numbers with an improved method, which won wild applause at every appearance.

Simmins and Payne, a new comedy team, were welcome visitors. Their act is clean and the man is a good comedian who reminds us of the late Joe Britton. The lady is a good dancer and won high favor in a Spanish dance.

Chicken Reel Beaman returned popular. His talk was new and good, but at one time a little slow. But he is old-fashioned and funny, and we can excuse him, for his comical dance at the finish is great.

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The Phoenix Has Remarkable Crowds.

The quality of pictures seen at this house is wonderful, and in addition to illustrated songs, the orchestra is lively and has so much appreciated the passing notice given it by your correspondent, that the photographs of the members are to appear during the holidays.

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William McCaber's Georgia Troubadours have invaded the State of Illinois, and good success is reported.

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The Real Quartet has engaged Charles H. Moore, formerly of Williams and Walker's Company, who will join at once.

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LeRoy Bland and Clifford Green have joined hands for a revival of "A Dream of Dahomey" in vaudeville.

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The Hampton Jubilee Quartet sang at Orchestra Hall last Sunday evening when Hon. Hollis B. Frissell and Major Morton spoke.

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Frank Clemonto is now the official secretary of the Colored Vaudeville Benevolent Association. Applications should be sent to J. Harry Jackson, financial secretary, 136 West 37th street, New York. The C. V. B. A. headquarters are now located at 127 West 30th street, New York City.

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John Miller, formerly a famous tenor, but now a railroad man, had a birthday party at his home on Dearborn street, Wednesday, November 22 The following invited friends were present: Charles C. Mason, C. Morris, Pete Peterson, Sylvester Russell, J. A. Ormstead, Miss Henderson of New York, Mrs. C. C. Thomas, Georgia Gross and Mr. Miller and family.

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The Kolored Kandy Kids, White, Selley and Plenty, opened at the Princess Theater, St. Paul, Minn., two weeks, with Minneapolis and other cities in Iowa to follow. They are booked by A. E. Meyer over the Western time.

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Madge Clinton and Lilly Gary complain of unprofessional treatment at Chattanooga, Tenn., having had financial trouble with Manager Sparks. They say America is not a free country, and lawsuits are worthless in the South.

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"The Hottest Coon in Dixie" Company, which did such good business at the Pekin last week, was originally staged by Billy Nichols, at Boston, Mass. Nichols and Lash Gideon were part owners of the company until Mr. Gideon absconded, forfeiting his interest by default to H. Dumas, the present white manager, who immediately bought Mr. Nichols out for $175, and is now owner of the company. Mr. Nichols, who had a slight operation performed at the Cook County Hospital for gastric ulcer of the stomach, left the hospital November 20.

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Josephine Saxton's Dixie Kids, who appeared at the Grand last week, were trained by Buddy Gilmore. Miss Lottie Brown is Mr. Gilmore's sister. Other kids are Gertrude Perkins, Thadeus Drayton, James Stewart and Little Pewee.

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Mr. James Grundy (not Will Grundy, as reported last week) is somewhat improved and has been taken out for a walk by his faithful friend, Sam Paterson. Mr. Grundy, who has stomach trouble, also suffers a slight mental affliction, caused by the strain of overwork and loss of rest. His faithful wife, Susie Grundy, reports that Mr. Grundy is not in financial connection with the C. V. B. A. or the Elks, but is not in want at present. "The Watermelon Trust" has been obliged to cancel five weeks' work. Lulu Coats is still with the act.

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The Tuskegee Club held an afternoon meeting at 4440 Langley avenue November 26, at 4 p. m. A. H. Roberts was the orator of the occasion and he spoke eloquently on the life of Wendall Phillips, and paid a tribute to Sumner, Frederick Douglass and Booker T. Washington. Major Morton dropped in and made a few remarks in addition to a literary program by the members.

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"Dr. Beans from Boston," the new musical comedy introducing S. H. Dudley in a new role, will open at the Alhambra Theater beginning December 3. The new play is said to have made a better impression than other productions of the original Smart Set Company. Mr. Dudley is surrounded by a new company, including James Burris, Henry Troy, Arthur Talbot and others.

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The silver championship cups awarded to the Grace Presbyterian church baseball team was on exhibition at the Choral Study Club concert at Institutional church as a decoration upon the platform. So enthusiastic are the people over the players that I take this opportunity to syndicate their names as follows: B. Irvin, captain; M. Baker, L. O. Balor, Jr., R. L. Brown, Tim Reeves, H. Hardy, Wm. Harsh, C. H. Lewis, S. Jones., J. W. Madden, Jr., A. Motley, H. G. Parker, Jr., E. L. ePacher, F. Pollard, R. Reeves, E. E. Renfoe, L. Thompson, C. Smith, H. Willis, R. I. Thomason, Jr., manager, Willis H. Bronston, business manager.

SMART SET COMING HERE.

Will Be Seen at the Park Theater December 18.

S. H. Dudley, recognized as one of the best funmakers in this country, will come to the Park theater, December 18, heading the famous Smart Set Company. They will appear here in the latest musical comedy success, "Doctor Beans from Boston."

STAGE DOPE IN BRIEF AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

(By W. P. B.)

Howard Theater.

The bill at the Howard Theater last week consisted of the Rainey Trio, the Six Gum Drops, Cheers and Jones and Merriweather and Brown. Merriweather and Brown were easily the hit of the bill. However, the bill was not as strong as the ones of the two weeks previous. During the present week a monster bill will be presented. The headline attraction is Mrs. Aida Overton Walker and her company of clever entertainers. Also Merriweather and Brown are holdovers. There are other numbers on the bill. It promises to be "some class."

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The Ford Dabney Theater will be a omtion picture house in the future. Mr. J. H. Hudnell is its manager and proprietor.

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The Rord Dabney Ginger Girls (Effie King and Lottie Gee), are at the Foraker this week. They were a hit at the Dabney Theater last week. The girls are nicely costumed.

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R. M. Tyler has leased the Minnehaha Theater for a period of several years and will conduct it as a motion picture house.

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The famous Ezra Quartette appeared at the Lyceum last week.

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The Griffin Sisters (Mabel and Emma) are the big hit on the bill at the Blue Mouse Theater. They are engaged for several weeks or more.

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Louis A. Mitchell (the old man impersonator) was on the bill at the Dabney Theater last week. He went fine.

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The Carolina Comedy Four were on the bill at the Minnehaha Theater last week. They went big.

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Prof. J. Sheman Hunnicutt, leader of the Wilberforcian Musical Association of this city, has been called home at Wilberforce, Ohio, to the bedside of his mother, who sustained a severe injury from a fall recently.

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One of Hurtig and Seamon's successes entitled "Social Maids," played at the Gayety Theater last week. Most of the music of the show was written and arranged by Professor Will Vodery, who was musical director at the Haward Theater last year.

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The Owl Club vontemplates giving a big demonstration in the near future. Mr. Nelson Rhone, the president, is very popular with the boys.

A birthday reception was given to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Henson, at their beautiful home, 1901 9th street, N. W., Monday evening, November 27, 1911.

NOTES FROM HERBERT LA SHE.

Herbert La She, at present with the "Down in Dixie" Minstrels, which closes December 2, will spend three weeks at my home, Linwood, Mich. I will open my own show January 9 at Hastings, Mich., with four ladies and four gentlemen. The show will be called "The Georgia Coon Shouters," and I will play Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota—my old stamping grounds. Mr. Jack Gilmes, manager of the minstrels, is a prince.

Regards to friends.

H. LA SHE,
Linwood, Mich.

LOUISVILLE THEATERS—THE RUBY—THE LYRE.

The colored theaters in Louisville seemed to be doomed to die an early death. Recently the Ruby theater was burned out under peculiar circumstances. The Lyre theater is under such poor management that the theater going public is becoming disgusted. A large number of people stay away because they are afraid that they may may be injured in the many fights that occur. The players have set up a howl that the management is unable to pay them. Speedy Smith and Hagan were among those who did not get their money. There was almost a fight when the latter asked the manager for what was due him. The crisis will soon come at the rate these places of amusement are going. The question is being asked, What is the remedy. We answer that some of the colored business men should form a company and buy out these places and place them on a businesslike basis. They should select the best companies and so arrange their affairs that the plays that are staged will be wholesome and that no one would be afraid to go, for fear that they should be embarrassed. The theater management is as much a profession as any other form of business. Men who are placed in charge of these places should be men of experience and economy. We do not know whether or not the Ruby will reopen or not; it had almost reached the point of perfection in the producing of first-class plays and the public was showing their appreciation for the high-class acts that the managr was bringing to Louisville, of course at this junction the fire occurred, and how the fire started no one seems to know.

NOTES FROM THE "ROYAL SAM" COMPANY.

The Jolly John Larkins Company, under the direction of Voelckel & Forbish, is still playing to capacity houses nightly. Miss Ruby Taylor, succeeding Irene Parker in the character of Widow Brown, is decidedly convincing, it being the first time in her theatrical career of assuming such parts, outside of chorus and a bright future is in store for her. Nellie Cisco, Carrie Richardson and Lizzie Leonard wish their many friends to know that they are still with Jolly John, and happy as Larks. Jennie Pearl, who is singing "Dream of My Dreams," assisted by Jolly John Larkins, is forced to respond to four and five encores nightly. J. E. Leins, of New Orleans, joined the company in Montgomery, Ala. It is rumored that Nellie Cisco is soon to be married to a dapper little gent of Wilkes Barre, Pa (Oh, you Brown Skin). The Non-such Girls Club is still together and are making great preparations to entertain the members of the company.

CINCINNATI THEATERS—THE PEKIN—THE GAITHER.

The Pekin Theater management introduced an all-star cast this week in a little comedy sketch entitled "Clarence, the Barber." Kid Thomas takes the leading part, while the comedy lines are handled by Billy Harper and Dink Stewart. The ladies in the cast are Miss Alberta Perkins, Miss Marguerite Ward and Miss Lucy Shepherd.

During the one-hour entertainment several good singing numbers are introduced by the entire company; and the act is very funny. The S. R. O. sign was hung out all week.

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The Gaither has undergone a complete change. The front has been remodeled and the policy of the house has also been changed. The program will consist of four high-class picture reels and one good vaudeville turn. The general admission will be five cents. Prof. Fred Johnson has been engaged as violinist.

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May and May, String Beans and String Beans, will be among the attractions at the Pekin Theater next week.

Hiram Hendricks, a well-known man about town, was murdered in the Sunny South saloon on Sixth avenue last Monday by Fred Wills, of Chattanooga, Tenn.

The Harper-Perkins-Stewart Trio entertained on the 24th inst. with a luncheon at Mrs. A. Blackburn, 234 5th avenue West. Among the invited guests were The Clippers, Thomas and Ward, Levi Weatherford, Mrs. Matilda Johnson, Mr. Gratton Walker, Miss L. Brown, Mr. H. Howard and Col. Sam Brown, who acted as toastmaster. The guests enjoyed themselves until the wee sma' hours of the morning.

The Eight Tar Babies, local people, have been making good around here, putting on a big act. Mr. Clay Price is manager, while the veteran comedian, T. Gales, looks after the stage and property.

Arthur Porter and Jakie Brown have formed a big partnership act for vaudeville, to be known as Porter and Brown (in sense and nonsense).

CAROLINA COMEDY 4 STILL INTACT.

Word has reached us that the "Carolina Comedy 4" are still intact and that they desire to warn any parties who attempt to use their name, that they will be vigorously prosecuted, as the title of the act is copyrighted. The act is appearing at the Blue Mouse Theater this week, at Washington, D. C.

The Freeman is on sale in East St. Louis, Ill., at the Tennessee barber shop, E. E. Barnes, proprietor.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Alford, Johnnie
Bartsett, D. A.
Batsell, D. W.
Brown, Dave
Clark, H. G.
Culligan, T. J.
Des Verny, G.
Day, Geo.
Gilliam, Allie
Hicks, E. J.
Jordon, Joe
Jones, Archie
Jones, Clayborne
Kitchen, Logan.
Lowery, Vance
Lewis, Geo.
Love, H. Kid.
Liston, Prof. F.
Marrs, Chas.
McCamon, J. H.
Mores, J. Francis.
Powell, John
Moore, Billy.
Porter, Peter
Reed, Frank
Stewart, Al
Spyglass, J. Elmer.
Streets, Fred
Swetman, George.
Stovall, Wallace
Tobias, John T.
Thomas, Dick
Timmons, Willie
The Baileys
The Great English.
Willken, Bill.
Wolfscale, James
Young, Billy

Ladies' List.

Gough, Miss Nora
Fairfax, Miss Mabel
Hilda, Madam
Johnson, Miss Jane
Kenney, Miss Hazel.
James Sisters.
Michaels, Mrs. Levara
Nicholas, Miss Ray
Thomas, Miss Elizabeth
Stewart, Miss Viola
Wiggins, Zena.
Wright, Mrs. E.

ROUTE.

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"SOUTHERN SMART SET."—S. Tutt Whitney—Fayetteville, Ark., Dec. 4; Ft. Smith, 5; Little Rock, 6; Hot Springs 7; Newport, 8.

"JOLLY" JOHN LARKINS AND COMPANY.—New Orleans, La, week of Dec. 3.

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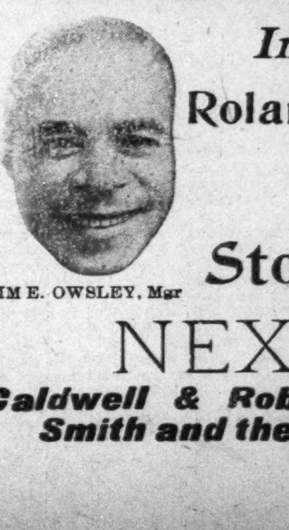

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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

The celebrated Leon, magician and ventriloquist, is now en route to Cuba.

Stewart and Stithe are a big scream at the Central Theater, Atlanta, Ga., this week.

Eddie E. Dayne, of the Florida Blossoms, is a success this week at Albany, Georgia.

Frank Wright is at home in Indianapolis, resting up. He is of Hagenbeck & Wallace's Shows.

Ivy Hubbard is recovering from a nervous attack at Birmingham, Ala., and will rest about a month.

James Respict is a drawing card with Brown's Tennessee Minstrels, at Brownsville, Miss., this week.

James E. Rogers, stage carpenter at the Pekin Theater, Savannah, Ga., is making good at his first love.

Jones and Jones are doing well this week, playing Richmond, Va., at the Pekin Theater. Watch this team.

Loudin Johnson, of the Two Johnsons, writes that they are still making good in the South. They are now at Richmond, Virginia.

De Wayman Niles, one of the best in the McCabe Minstrels, writes that everything is "peaches," and sends regards to all friends.

Big business is the slogan at the Pastime Theater, Brown & Robert, proprietors, for the month of November, at Muskogee, Okla.

Report has it that Jane Johnson made as much of a success last week in Norfolk, Va., as if she had been Princess Rajoh herself.

George A. Riley, stage manager of the Darktown Swells Company, informs us that he is doing well. The company sends regards to all.

Blaine Gray, of 514 Alfred street, Detroit, Mich., writes us that he will contribute a Christmas poem to our big special Christmas number.

Bessie Brown writes that Brown and Mayweather are at the Howard Theater, Washington, D. C., this week. From all reports, we glean that they are the hit of the program.

Peirce and Tolliver are a hit with the Down in Dixie Company. Their present route is as follows: Murphysboro, Ill., November 27; Centralia, Ill., November 28, and Champaign, Ill., November 30.

Millie Owens, the "Tennessee Kid," has just finished eight successive weeks at the Belmont Street Theater, Pensacola, Fla., and is now filling a fifty weeks' engagement at the Booker T. Washington Theater, St. Louis, Mo.

Everybody take notice that "Virginia Dare" was in the city last week, and the best cornet blew with her to another port. And the angels smiled upon her and the boys from Kansas sang, "Take her, boy, you're mighty lucky."

The Down in Dixie Minstrels showed to a large crowd at the Baker Grand Theater, Natchez, Miss., on November 20. There were many clever acts, especially the slack wire walking of La She; the juggling of Chas. P. Williams, and the dancing of Al Toliver on roller skates. Chas. H. Wiliams and Gus Stevens kept the audience in a continuous roar from the time they came out as tramps until the ringing down of the curtain.

P. G. Lowery, of the Hagenbeck-Wallace Shows, blew in the other day. He spent a day in the city, visited The Freeman office and other points of "interest." He says his season was most successful. He carries the largest band and minstrel company in connection with shows. His company ranges from eighteen to thirty men at all times. Some of his men have been with him for twelve years. Most of them have been with him from seven to eight years. They think there's none like P. G.

KIRBY THEATER, GALVESTON, KY.

The Center Stock Company is the drawing card on Twenty-Fifth street this week in the "King and Queen from Bamboo Land," which was well worth 10 cents. Mr. Center as comedian, Shorty as King, Stack Moore as the Fashion Plate Prince, Alma Hugh as a native, Mrs. Lena Dawson Moore as Queen and leading lady, C. Helm pianist, John Walton drummer. A. L. Ritseler is manager and Geo. Center producer and stage manager.

McCABE'S GEORGIA MINSTRELS.

Following is the past and future route of McCabe's Georgia Troubadour Minstrels: November 8, Shelbiana; 9, Hunnewell, Mo.; 10, Monroe; 11, Paris; 13, Holliday; 14, Monroe; 15, New London; 16, Bowling Green; 17, Pleasant Hill, Ill.; 18, Waverly; 20, Winchester; 22, Carrollton; 23, Greenfield; 25, Litchfield; 26, Divernon; 27, Girard; 28, 29, 30, Mt. Vernon; December 3, 4, Raymond; 5, Morrisonville; 6, Taylorville; 7, Stonington; 8, Blue Mound; 9, Argenta; 11, Pawnee; 12, Virginia; 13, Mt. Sterling; 14, Versailles; 15, Bluffs; 16, Bayliss; 17, Hull; 19, Hannibal, Mo.; 20, Holliday; 21, Huntsville; 22, Brunswick; 23, Moberly; 25, Sturgeon; 26, Salisbury; 27, Armstrong; 28, Higbee; 29, Marshall; 30, Centralia; January 1, Jefferson City, Mo. Max C. Elliott is booking the route to the coast. The show will not close the coming summer. Late arrivals are Deyland Niles, the human snake; Niles, the toe dancer; Mrs. Donaldson, to lead the chorus, and Miss Booker, chorus girl. The company is headed for the coast.

WILL H. DORSEY

Refutes Statement Given Out of the Blood-Koehler Music Company—Says It Is Misleading and Misrepresents Him.

Chicago Special.

The report given out last week that the Blood-Koehler Music Company had permanently closed its doors, and to the effect that Mr. Blood had been forced out, or that the company was insolvent, appears to be discredited. Mr. Dorsey, who is leader and pianist at the Monogram Theater, was especially displeased when he read the statement in The Freeman, and demanded that the report be immediately denied.

The company had voluntarily made an assignment for the benefit of its creditors, is the exact reason why it was terminated. The assets, according to Mr. Dorsey, who was the treasurer, were greater than the liabilities, and every creditor will be paid dollar for dollar. Mr. Dorsey, who holds one-fourth interest in the concern, has privately intimated that the business will later open up in a new office. Mr. Blood, he said, resigned from the company on his own accord, by proof of a letter which Mr. Dorsey has in his own possession, and could not have been forced out by the pressure of Mr. Dean or any one else. Mr. Dorsey had been in business as an arranger for over two years in a studio of his own on State street, prior to his connection with the Blood-Koehler Company, to which he can point with pride, and in justice to Mr. Dorsey it can be said that he is a thoroughbred, honest young gentleman, who is popular and greatly beloved by all who know him.

SEEN AND HEARD WHILE PASSING

(S. Tutt Whitney, Smart Set Co.)

Boley.

What is Boley? Where is Boley? It is safe to assume that nine-tenths of the colored people in this country have never heard of Boley, therefore I will proceed to enlighten.

Boley is a town near central Oklahoma with 3,500 inhabitants, populated and controlled exclusively by Negroes—not a white person living within a radius of ten miles.

Boley is the agricultural center for hundreds of prosperous Negro farmers. The first thing one hears when the train stops at Boley is the whirr of the cotton gin, installed and operated by colored men. Mr. E. C. Smith, baggage master, attends to your luggage. O. C. Fitzgerald, station master, will sell you a ticket to any part of the world, while Miss Anna Miller, operator, receives telegraphic instructions that will give you a safe right-of-way while en route.

When the "Smart Set" car stopped at Boley it was immediately surrounded by a crowd of boys conspicuous for their intelligence and cleanliness. Mr. McLeod, the mayor of Boley, extended the hand of welcome and the freedom of the city.

Looking up the main street of Boley, the first surprise is the number of brick buildings one sees. Then all the streets are paved with concrete. Walking a distance of two blocks I counted nine brick buildings in the process of erection. The most imposing edifice in Boley is the beautiful Masonic Temple. It could well grace Fifth avenue, New York. The town is well lighter; the light and power plant was installed and is operated by Negroes.

Grocery stormes, drug stores, clothing stores, dry goods stores, and all kinds of business necessary to supply the demands of a city are found in Boley. They are clean, well stocked and run upon modern ideas. The proprietors and clerks are intelligent and courteous. In the residence section there is an absence of tumble-down shacks so commonly seen in mixed towns.

The Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, capitalized at $10,000, with J. H. Williamson, president; E. J. Turner, cashier, is run on a safe basis and has the confidence of the community. W. L. Jones is the postmaster. A beautiful brick postoffice is now in the process of erection. Three brick school houses are to be seen. They are well attended and presided over by competent teachers. G. W. Wood, professor of the Commercial School, proposes to erect a gymnasium and skating rink for the pleasure of his scholars and the public next spring.

The "Smart Set" Company had the honor and pleasure of opening the Masonic Temple Theater. It was crowded to capacity. That the performance pleased was evidenced by enthusiastic manifestations of approval from the audience.

Mr. W. H. McLeod, mayor, governs Boley with intelligence and diplomacy. These, with a knowledge of municipal government, has won for him the confidence and high esteem of the citizens of Boley. A police department is not necessary. The deputy sheriff informed us that he had not made an arrest in two years. The people of Boley live like a well-regulated, good-mannered family.

If you wish to live where you can enjoy al lthe rights and privileges of an American citizen, where you can poke out your chest and say, "I'm a man,' without dodging, go to Boley.

Smart Set Co. Notes.

Mr. S. Tutt Whitney, star of the Southern "Smart Set" Company, celebrated the anniversary of his thirty-fifth birthday November 15 while in McAlester, Okla. He was the happy recipient of many beautiful presents from members of the company and friends.

After the night's performance a banquet was given in honor of the occasion by the "Kale Lickers' Club" of the "Smart Set." The banquet was given upon the car, which was prettily decorated for the fete. Tom and Adia Lockhart were the caterers. Refreshments were served by Misses Josie Graham, Babe Brown and Maybelle Brown.

The club is composed of the following: J. C. Wright, president; Alfred Strauder, vice-president; Buss Williams, secretary; J. Homer Tutt, treasurer; Sam Gardener, sergeant-at-arms; Ed Tolliver, James Smith, Henry Waterson, Blaine Waters, Will Dixon, Frank Jackson and Tom Lockhart. Motto of club: "Everybody Have a Good Time."

FRANK HENDON DINES WITH STAGE-STRUCK GIRLS.

(Thanksgiving Dinner Chat.)

Dear Hendon: I've heard so much about the man farthest down. Who is he, and where can I find him?—Alice.

Answer: Go to a football game on Thanksgiving day. Watch them line up. When a guy starts running with the ball, bing! Dat's de man.

Dear Hendon: Is it proper for football players to go fishing?—Cora.

Answer: Sure. They have the right tackle.

Dear Hendon: I borrowed 50 cents from the captain of a football bunch. He has lots of money and I'm not going to pay him the small sum of 50 cents.—Nina.

Naughty! naughty Nina! The captain must have his half-back.

Dear Hendon: What do the Italians eat on Thanksgiving?—Emma.

Answer: Soft-pedal the funniness. They are trying to destroy some Turkey this Thanks.

LONG SAM LUCAS, ARTIST OF NEGRO MINSTRELSY

"My Grandfather's Clock" Singer Looks Back on Thirty Years of Laughter.

The name of Sam Lucas has been one to conjure with for more than thirty years. There are men to-day high in the ranks of business, leaders in public affairs, who will tell you they "would rather have one of the great big laughs they had many a time with long Sam Lucas than take the prescription of the greatest doctor on earth.

Sam Lucas is now playing on the vaudeville stage alone, on the Loew Circuit, and is making good. He asked the writer to come to the theater and look his act over, and any points would be welcome. One could not tell Sam Lucas about what to do on the stage, unless it was to queer his performance, as he is an artist. He is also a gentleman in his instincts and his bearing. He makes music and poetry simple, both of them, but sweet and sincere, as naturally as he breathes. He is a born actor. Finally, and best of all, he has a great, rich, joyous laugh, that is like a burst of sunshine. One ought to hear Sam Lucas tell his story himself. It needs his rich Virginia accent and his irresistible laugh, his manner of an old-school gentleman and his touches of delicious mimicry. In spite of that accent he wasn't born down South, but in Washington Court House, O., sixty-eight years ago last August. You have to have his word for it that it was that long ago. Nothing else would make you believe it. Sam laughs his big, joyous laugh over the recollections of the past, for right here is the secret of his power. He has gone through life laughing, and he has never had to laugh alone. In 1871 Sam was a barber in St. Louis, when Callender's Minstrels came to town. He was then twenty-eight years old. But Sam did not go with the show until 1873. His salary was $4 a week. He was to sing in a quartette, and as he had already begun to make up songs on his own account, he took some o fthese along with him. He wasn't really great at singing; at least he hadn't a wonderful voice. But he had something better. He could make up words that went to the funny bones of an audience, and he could make up melodies that haunted their memories. He has several songs to his credit. If you have ever hummed "My Grandfather's Clock," you have repeated a melody which first sang itself in Sam Lucas's imagination. If you have ever said, "Every day'll be Sunday by and by;" if you have ever said, "Carve dat 'possum," you have him to thank for the phrase.

He could write songs and sing them, he could dance. He could wear the funniest clothes on the stage. He was the first comedian to appear with a hat not much larger than a collar button perched on one corner of his head. Sam joined the Callender aggregation at the bottom of the bill; one year later he was at the head. A year later he joined the White's Georgia Minstrels. Then he went with Hyers Sisters. In recent years Sam has been with the leading colored companies, takin gleading parts. To-day he is in vaudeville, singing songs and telling stories. The latter he is past master of, and he does some dancing also.

HARRY BROWN,
Cartoonist.

GREENVILLE, S. C.

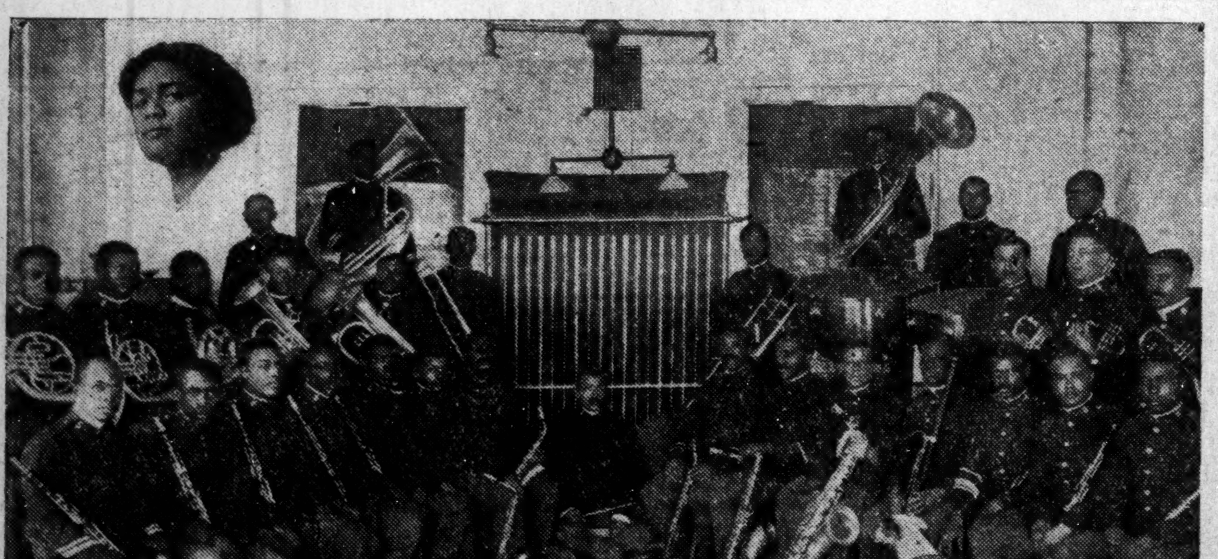
Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. Jas. F. Page, B. D., district superintendent of the Greenville district of the M. E. Church, left Tuesday for Sumter, the seat of the annual conference. This conference winds up his sixth year on the district, and he has made a good officer. The work of the district has prospered under his leadership. We regret very much to give him up, but his time is out, and he must go back into the pastorate....Miss C. M. Tolbert, Mrs. Julia Coleman and little Sweet have returned from a few days' stay in Spartansburg, the guests of Mrs. Dr. Harry....The C. M. E. Conference convenes in this city on the 28th of this month....Mr. Frank Austin and Mr. Rich Hill, of Mauldin, were in the city Monday....Little Daniel M. Butler is very much better after a severe attack of cold....Miss Sadie Allen, who is teaching music at the Seneca High School, Seneca, S. C., spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents.....Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Raiford have gone to Macon, Ga., where they will make their future home....News was received in the city last week of the death of Dr. L. A. Early, who was a prominent physician of Anderson, S. C. Dr. Earle had been in poor health for several months. He has a host of friends throughout the State, who will regret to learn of his death. The city of Anderson has lost a great and good man, also the State of South Carolina, as he was active in a number of fraternal organizations. He was buried near Belton, his old home, on Saturday, November 18, 1911. He leaves a life and several children to mourn their loss. Dr. Earle was a Christian man and was faithful to the church. The bereaved family has our deepest sympathy. ....The M. E. preachers left Wednesday morning for the seat of the annual conference, which meets in Sumter, S. C.... Dr. D. M. Minus left Saturday for McCormick, on business....Mr. Herbert L. Parker will build soon on his lot on Jenkins street, near Sterling Institute.... Mrs. M. C. Davis left Wednesday for Sumter to spend a month or six weeks with her sister, Mrs. Williams. We wish her a pleasant stay....Mrs. Carrie B. Gray is on the sick list. We hope for her a speedy recovery....Try To-Bac-Ton Hair Tonic, at Butler's Barber Shop....Miss Eva Thompson left to-day for Jacksonville, Fla., to spend the winter....Mrs. Dr. Maxwell, of Sumter, was in the city Sunday, the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. J. F. Page. She came here from Belton, where she attended the funeral of her brother-in-law, Dr. L. A. Earle.... Prof. C. C. Simmons, of Tuskegee Institute, was in the city last week, and held an educational meeting at John Wesley Church, on Thursday night, which was a success. He told of many advantages of Tuskegee College. It is doing great good for the Negro race....The little infant of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Cureton is very much improved, after having been ill since last June. Dr. A. E. Boyd has been attending it for the past three or four weeks, and it is a great deal better....Miss Clara Nance is having a five room house erected on her lot on Leach street, which will soon be completed, and has already been rented. Congratulations....Mrs. Frank Williams has returned from Belton, where she went to attend the funeral of her uncle, Dr. L. A. Earle.

POCATELLO, IDAHO.

SPECIAL TO THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Geo. Bunch has left for Ogden, Utah, where she will make her home. The Alamo Trio of musicians—Harris, Denny and Harris—played at the Grand here last week and packed the house every night. They were featuring Alevander's "Rag Time Band." Denny has one of the best lyric tenor voices that has been heard in the western country....Rev. W. H. Brown has returned from Denver, Colo., where he went on business for the Colored C. N. M. & I. Association. He expects to start building in the near future a twenty-five-room building....The grim reaper has crept into our little circle of colored people in Pocotello in the form of Mrs. Vincent Jackson, who died November 13 at her home, 335 North Fifth avenue. She was buried Friday, November 18, by Rev. W. H. Brown, minister of the C. N. M. & I. Association. Mrs. Jackson was appointed secretary of the building committee of the C. N. M. & I. Association. She leaves to mourn her death a father, one brother, sisters, husband and three little children. She was highly esteemed by all who knew her. We can say we have lost her and Heaven has gained....Mrs. Ophelia Johnson has returned home from Gren River, Wyo., where she has been visiting.



NINTH U. S. CAVALRY BAND.

Following the grand musical concert given in Chicago recently, in which Madame Hackley took a prominent part, a similar one was given in Cheyenne by Miss Mae Smith, a sopranist and student of the Boston Conservatory of Music.

The musical was given at the Capitol Avenue theater, and Miss Smith was assisted by the famous Ninth Cavalry band, under the direction of Prof. Wade Hammond. A concert was given in the afternoon and at night, and both were largely attended by the citizens of Cheyenne. Miss Smith, who has been studying for the last three years at the conservatory, sang several of her high-class songs at each concert, and was heartily applauded for her able renditions.

It is hardly necessary to offer any praise for the Ninth Cavalry band and the part it took in the concert, because its reputation stands for itself; not only at home but abroad. Yet we might say that the program, consisting of classical numbers by Wagner, Mendelssohn and other famous writers was well rendered.

This band has made wonderful progress since 1909 when Mr. Hammond took it, and today it is a credit to its regiment and to its race. This goes to show that the colored chief musicians are making a great success with the army bands.

Among those present at the concert were Senator Warren and wife, Governor Carey and other prominent citizens of Cheyenne.

This is the first time in the history of Cheyenne that the Capitol Avenue theater has been given over to the colored people for amusement. All who attended the musical were well entertained and enjoyed it.

Miss Smith is very anxious to become more proficient in her profession, and has shown it by her efforts and energetic spirit. Her ambition is to be a credit to her race. Let us help and encourage her. It can be plainly seen that the colored race is steadily advancing and we should be proud. It becomes us as individuals to help each other in their efforts to lift up our race.

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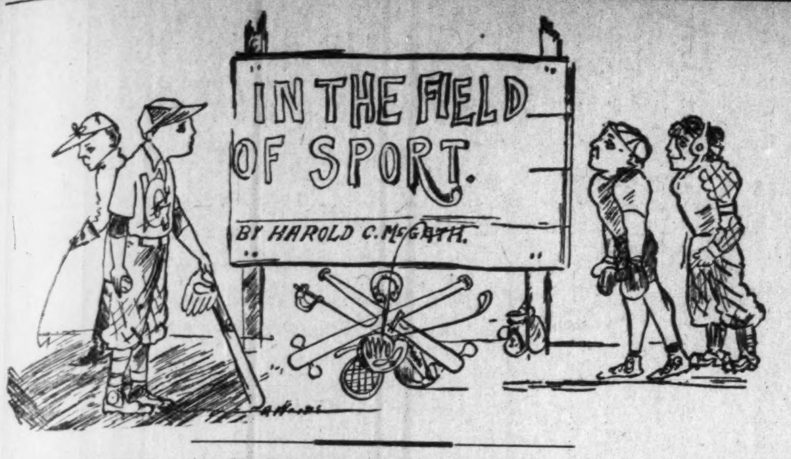
IN THE FIELD OF SPORT.
BY HAROLD C. McGRATH.

Bombadier Wells, the English heavyweight, who was matched to fight champion Jack Johnson, has been matched to box Fred Storbeck, of South Africa, on December 18, at the London National Athletic Club, London, for a purse of $6,250.

The Louisville Cubs have been incorporated and newly organized by three of Louisville's young business men, and are now ready to hear from all good ball players. Geo. W. White, president; Columbus John, treasurer; Geo. S. Baker, booking agent and secretary, 432 South Ninth street.

The bouts last Saturday night a week, at the Hoereth Athletic Club, Indianapolis, were successes. Ray Sands and Kid Meyers fought a draw. Kid Lowery, the colored boy, was an easy winner over Jim Bren. The colored lad gave a clever exhibition when he took on Hoe. Will Law and Kid Clifford fought a seven-round draw.

Robert Robinson, Jr., won first and second prize for drawing the Jack Johnson and Jeffries fight at Reno, Nev., at the Colored State Fair, Macon, Ga.

"I don't believe there is a heavyweight in the world, unless it is Langford or Johnson, who can knock Carl Morris out in ten rounds," says James J. Corbett. "I never saw a big fellow who could stand body blows like Morris. Although he carries too much flesh around the belt, he can take the hardest blows in the midsection without so much as wincing. Morris is bigger than any other heavy, and for that reason it is hard to reach his head when he stands erect. He has a habit of leaning on a man in clinches that will wear out smaller or lighter opponents. It seems too bad that such a Hercules cannot learn to box cleverly. If he possessed average skill he'd whip such a man as Jim Flynn. From what I've seen of Morris he doesn't know how to put weight into his blows. He hits from the elbow not the shoulder, and doesn't start his punches until the other fellow has a chance to block or clinch. If somebody could teach Morris how to use his left hand he would do much harm, because of his phenomenal reach. A straight left, properly landed by this giant, would come near knocking the average man down. Morris is very much in the rough, and seems to be unable to grasp the idea of clever boxing, but there's such a thing as making him learn, and the best way is to keep him busy all the time. He has superb courage and he ought to take advantage of it."

THE COLORED INVASION.

Australia the Fight Mecca—Sam McVea a Very Achilles—Will Jack Johnson Be His Hector.

By Billy.

As at the call of the good Arab who parades the walls, the good Mussulman turns his face to Mecca, so the sporting world has eyes o nAustralia, thinking that in the very near future the physical mastership of the world will be decided on that ground. The fight captains have been on the scene for some time, most of them going thousands of miles to be at the fest de pugilism which promises to wind up with that piece de resistance, Jack Johnson vs. Sam McVea.

But before entering the thick of the business it will be interesting, perhaps, to know what's being said in a general way about what is called the Black Invasion or the Colored Invasion, as the "hegira" is now known. Some time ago I called attention to what Australian papers had to say. They took a rather kindly view of the invasion, treating it rather as an enjoyable thing from the standpoint of show and sport. The mixup of the races was slightly referred to, giving the impression that the idea was somewhat novel and surprising, but that it was their own affair, dismissing it in some such way, but not without the inference that they did not relish the idea any too much.

An illustrated journal from Melbourne gives a picture of the ensemble, picturing the Negroes just about as is done in the United States at times, only without gross exaggeration. They seem to be taking off the Negro as he would if ad lib. And while there's no reason that he should not strut and spout, attended by white female companions, as they are pictured, yet it is not the expected in the States; nor do we think it is very much expected anywhere else. Sam McVea sits in a carriage, throwing out smoke like a consumerless smokestack of an Indianapolis factory. Sitting with him is a beautiful appearing white woman, most fashionably attired. There seems to be method in the drawing. Without any disrespect to those concerned, the picture reminds one of the beauty and the beast.

On the street are yet strollers of the propaganda, dressed in the height of fashion; but the general appearance is marred by the too expansive grins, giving a Negro minstrel show effect. The picture suggests exaggerated importance, and is helpful to show business, and perhaps also to the sport business, but certainly it is not in the interest of the set or their kind as preferred citizens.

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Now, for fear that it may be thought that I am injecting my own personality in the matter, I will quote a bit from an Australian publication:

"What are you going to do, sir? What are we going to do? Here is all these nigs coming out to Australia. Sam McVea and Billy McClain are out here, and Sam Langford, Joe Jeanette and Jack Johnson are on their way out. Is that not so?"

The speaker was a well-dressed Melbourne bookmaker, and it appeared to hurt his feelings that these colored boxers are coming to Australia, and there is no doubt whatever that they will be well paid for the work they will do.

"What are we going to do? Why, when they fight we will make it our business to occupy one of the best seats near the ringside. That's what we are going to do," and we puffed away at a cigar we had in our mouth as if that question was settled for once and for all.

"And they tell me," continued the speaker, "that they have white women for their wives, American women at that, too, stylish, good-looking women, too, and they are accompanying their husbands, too. Is that so?"

"You are correct, sir. Do you blame them?"

"Oh, no. I am also informed that McVea has two up-to-date motors, Jeanette has two motors. Langford is satisfied with one motor, whilst Johnson has three motors and his wife has diamonds as big as walnuts. Tell me the truth. Is that a fact?"

"We believe you are right again, sir."

"Dear, dear me. What are you going to do then? Can you tell me that?" said the bookmaker, scratching his head.

"What can we do?"

"You don't mean to tell me you can't do anything. Oh, by the by, I nearly forgot to ask you whether you have seen Sam McVea and his wife."

We replied in the affirmative.

"Well, I see where he was interviewed by a Sydney lady reporter; that McVea was almost child-like in his ways and as gentle as a baby——"

The speaker's earnestness, combined with the question, made us burst into an uproarious laugh, which evidently nettled him, for he gripped his hat, and as he ambled out of the office we heard him mutter to himself:

"What are you going to do?"

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But to the fight. Reno will have to look to its laurels. The fight of Rushcutter Bay, Sydney, Australia, rubs it closely for the first place in fight affairs. This in view of size of the country, the wealth, the standing of the individuals, McVea and Lester, as compared with Johnson and Jeffries; nor was the significance attached to the fight. There was some significance, however. McVea is paving the way to Jack Johnson. The sporting world knows it, and it was eager (the Australian portion) to see the man that would meet the Negro champion. That much significance, but not that of the quintessence of white manhood going down before a Negro in a contest for the physical supremacy of the world.

Descriptions of the fight fairly rival those of Reno, when the cream of reportorial staffs of America and also abroad sent their stuff through in the choicest English, reserving nothing that tended to embellish their messages. Never in the world's history was there such a flow of rhetoric as "flew" at Reno—classic Reno. But Rushcutter, of non-euphony, is scarcely behind. Here follows partial report:

There were all of 20,000 people inside the circular inclosure, while a good many more than half as many surged and sweated and swore outside because they could not gain admission, owing to the fact that the interior, as regards the enormous seating accommodation of the terraces, was packed by 8 o'clock, had become stacked and jammed and crammed even while thousands on the outskirts of the crowd in South Head road were only beginning to struggle to approach the pay boxes.

The management was splendid in all but the means of procuring tickets, and that there must be better arrangements outside was made abundantly evident. To he ordinary eye the provision would appear ample for almost any demand; but this was not an ordinary occasion; indeed, it proved quite extraordinary, and the management was taken by surprise, in a measure, by the remarkable public interest displayed in the meeting between the newly-arrived California Negro, Sam McVea, and the young American conqueror of Bill Lang, Jack Lester.

From everywhere the throng poured Stadiumward, and as early as 7 o'clock an almost continuous line of tram cars hummed laboriously up William street, pinched, packed with passengers inside and out, till they looked like Gargantuan swarms of bees, with the trolley pole representing the branch they hung on. Nearly every motor, taxi and cab in the city was heading Stadiumwards, too.

By 8:30 every one of the enormous stock of chairs held by the Stadium, Ltd., was exhausted, and the staff was to be seen fighting fiercely through the throng around the wire zareba that defends the inner space from the outer flat below the terraces, carrying even the office chairs for the use of despairing patrons, who, having attained the flat, found not only no chairs, but no space to put 'em on when they were secured, except by the friendly unselfishness of those already seated, who contrived to squeeze together and gain a few inches here and there, till room was made for a seat to be jammed in. It was a sight to gladden the heart of any promoter, and that Mr. McIntosh's was gladdened was evident. Mac might well have quoted Sir Joseph Porter and recited tunefully:

"My amazement, my surprise,
You may learn from the expression of my eyes!"

The boss promoter was here, there and everywhere; inside at first, showing early arriving pressmen the nice arrangements made for their comfort and convenience, which are a vast improvement on the original style and which were much appreciated by "the boys." Mr. Vincent, the press agent for the Stadium, had a seat marked off for every newspaper, cable and press agency in the city, so that there was no confusion or jealousy. Even in such a crush the scribes were never for a moment incommoded. There is no doubt but that Mr. McIntosh's experience abroad has tended to the advantage of a class who are all too little considered by entrepreneurs of all kinds, and yet without whom the biggest enterprises would fall flat, stale and unprofitable—the gentlemen of the press.

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Perhaps enough has been given to justify the assertion that Rushcutter and Reno were very important pugilistic ports, and perhaps in a class together. Rushcutter is an outgrowth of Reno; had there been no Reno there would not have been that other city of abominable name. They stand for the same purpose, no matter how unconnected. The same Jack Johnson is expected to appear on the scene, that his measure may be taken, and in the interest of some budding white hope.

Billy McClain gives it out that Jack Johnson has signed to fight in Australia December 26. If he does, says McClain, the contest will draw a quarter of a million dollars. McClain seems to be right, judging by the noise already made since the landing of the "invasion."

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So far Sam McVea has proven a very Achilles. You know that distinguished Grecian of antiquity stopped only short of the gods. He sulked once, and nothing could draw him from his tent but the name of Hector, the redoubtable. He loaned his armor that he still indirectly help the Grecian side, but he exclaimed impetuously, when the imploring embassy withdrew from his tent, "Leave Hector for me." He was willing that the others might kill as they would, but he wished the pleasure of killing Hector. Is Jack Johnson reserved to go down before the "lance" of Sam McVea? It's now a world question as it concerns the pugilistic phase of sport. Some have come to believe that McVea is the only man left in the world that can give decnt battle to the supposed invincible. And it looks that way. The white man's hopes are literally dying a-bornin'. Jeffries, Morris, Lester, with Flynn on deck. The world asks, and who is Flynn? Flynn put it over Morris and won the right to be considered as a hope. However, those who know things don't seem to have very much faith in him.

We shall see what we shall see about December 26. McClain insists that Jack must show up or relinquish his claim in favor of his man McVea. In the event those two worthy sons of Mars clash arms all battles of the kind will sound as tinkling cymbals. A new Reno will erect that will dwarf the old as giant dwarfs pigmy.

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"A FINE WALLOP."

Why Lester Covered Up.

Sydney, Australia.

"What can I tell you? I was beaten, and I don't want to make excuses. I did my very best, and yet I was beaten. But I'm not a bit downhearted. Why should I be? I'm only 20, while he's 27, and has had three times my experience. I can only say that he's a great fighter. He's the best I've ever taken the ring against, and I'm sure very pleased I did as well as I did. He's a better fighter than, for instance, Colin Bell."

Bell, who was present, laughed heartily with the others at the joke against himsefl.

"You know, this fellow McVea has had such a wide knowledge of ring work that he has developed into a champion ring general. That's why I covered up and took no chances. You can't afford to do it when you're fighting the second best man in the world—or thereabouts. If I had unfolded and gone after him he would probably have rocked me more than he did, although I must say that all through the fight, though I was getting a doing and knew it, I was sure all along that he couldn't knock me out. I went into the ring with that opinion, and I found it was justified. All the same, he carries a fine wallop, and can punch a great deal harder than Bill Lang. That's it, you see. I don't mind being beaten by a man like that, but it's different when the man you are battling with is Bill Lang. It would hurt me greatly to go under to him."

Lester delivered himself of all this while lying on a couch in his little dressing room, on the broad of his back, while his attendants busied themselves over him. Then an unfortunate thing happened. Harry Nathan, whom Lester has before praised as the finest rubber-down and trainer he ever met, in pouring some ammonia from a bottle onto Lester's lips, had his arm jerked in some manner or other. Nearly the whole of the contents of the bottle was spilled over Lester, and he went wild. He rushed at Nathan like a madman, and the trainer, together with everybody else in the room, rushed outside. Lester, surely, had murder in his eyes. He picked up the bottle and hurled it smashing through the window of the room. Then he seized some other heavy articles and sent them on the same journey. All the time the unfortunate boy was screaming with the pain. He was, for the time, demented. After he had completely wrecked all the panes in the window and sent the glass scattering in all directions, he quieted down again. Dr. McDonagh went in to him and put some soothing ointment on his face, but it was some little while before even his own attendants ventured in with him.

"He certainly must have been in great pain," said the doctor afterwards.

BLACK AND WHITE.

Another Blighted "Hope"—McVea Beats Lester at the End of Twenty Rounds.

Sydney, Australia.

Last night another "white hope" was obscured in the black mist which is just now clouding the pugilistic horizon, when Jack Lester, the acknowledged best white fighter living, went down in defeat before Sam McVea, the colored wonder, whose fair and clever fighting has made him the idol of fight crowds. The black only secured a points decision, it is true, but he put up an absolutely unique record, inasmuch as he went the twenty rounds against a strong youngster, a fighter who had vanquished Bill Lang, without taking a decent troublesome punch. The contest being so one-sided, the person who did not see the proceedings in the Stadium ring could be pardoned for imagining that it was uninteresting. But it was not. It was a particularly attractive battle, owing to the fact that McVea, clever boxer that he undoubtedly is, was compelled to bring all his ringcraft and ability to bear in his endeavors to win on a knock-out. True, he was not seen at the top of his form, owing to his having had only a brief period in which to train, and being constrained to husband his strength a little, but nevertheless the 20,000 or more people who saw him in action came away satisfied that he must be considered in the summing up of the men aspiring to world's championship honors. Although he fought craftily, and sent his punches out with deadly precision, he could not make much impression on his tough opponent. Lester certainly does not possess a glass jaw. Last night it seemed to be composed of reinforced concrete, or something equally hard, while his head took the colored man's punches in a manner that made people think it was encased in steel.

The fight from start to finish was brimful of excitement. The crowd that enjoyed the twenty rounds, in which the only sign of punishment was Lester's badly swollen jaw, on which he received McVea's lefts, was a tremendous one. Nothing approaching it has been seen since the Johnson-Burns championship on Boxing Day, 1908, and it is doubtful whether the scenes witnessed outside the arena on the occasion of that memorable fight equaled those seen in New South Head road last night. There was then certainly not nearly so much trouble in gaining admission to the convincing ground. While it was expected that the engagement would draw a large crowd, it was not expected that there would be unprecedented anxiety to witness the struggle. Ordinarily decent, respectable men lost all their decency and respectability last night. They were transformed into fiends, fighting and struggling to get within striking distance of the gates.

The whole trouble was due to the insufficient number of entrances. Had there been twice as many as were in evidence there would have been fighting. But with the few that were there for the thousands and thousands who clamored for admission it was impossible to handle the crowd. There were plenty of police about, but they were powerless to deal with the people, who started to stream into the arena immediately upon the opening of the gates. At 8 o'clock the sight was one that will not be forgotten for many years by Sydney fight followers. Last night all roads led to the Stadium, and on reaching there the men who had passed over those roads had to bring all their energy to bear to get within twenty yards of the fence surrounding the ground. The police tried to let the visitors in in orderly fashion, but they could not do anything. Thousands struggled with each other, and tore about frantically. But they had to wait until the crowd behind heaved them in the direction of the gates. The ticket takers could not take the "briefs" fast enough, and H. D. McIntosh had to come to the assistance of his men. He stood and helped to keep the struggling masses in check, and took tickets, and he had not been there long before beads of perspiration stood out on his forehead. But still they struggled and fought in the wildest manner possible.

It was a wonderful sight outside. It was equally good to look upon inside. There was one huge mass of humanity, and everybody was glad to have a breather after the trouble experienced in getting in. The best of order prevailed. But everybody was anxious. They had seen a black-white championship before, and while they did not look too favorably upon the chances of the white man last night, they wanted him to win, and were there to cheer him on and help him in any way possible. It was indeed a remarkable scene—one that pleased sport followers, and one that gladdened the hearts of the promoters and the contestants. And it is doubtful whether the gate figures of the Burns-Johnson contest were greater than those of last night.

Those people, however, only saw McVea extended in two rounds—the fourteenth and the eighteenth. In every other session he was seen boxing beautifully, and punishing the white man severely, but it struck the majority of ringsiders that he was keeping himself well in control. He did not waste an ounce of strength. But in the fourteenth and eighteenth rounds he cut loose, and demonstrated what a demon he may be when aroused. His arms seemed to tear through the air from every point, but on no occasion was a punch sent out recklessly. There was the opening there every time, and either the left or right glove found a resting place on Lester's body and head. They were remarkable bursts of speed, and gave the only solid indications of what this colored marvel is capable of when he finds it necessary to extend himself.

Small wonder it is that this big, good-natured, ebony-colored boxer became the idol of the emotional French. He will be an idol in Australia, where the people are not so easily moved. He is fair to a degree, in action he is pretty to watch, and he has the punch. But what is the use of having a sleep-producing punch when there is a jaw like Lester's to land it on? When he goes up against a boxer with a weaker jaw it is probable that the unfortunate will be in dreamland in short order.

Although he did not suggest it in his training, McVea is a two-handed fighter, one hand being almost as good as the other. His strong point, however, is undoubtedly his left. Half hooked, half swung, it is deadly. It is not sent out after the fashion of the ordinary hook or swing. It does not come from a distance. The hand is poised well out from the body, and as soon as the opening is presented, in it goes. Right from the jump that terrible punch went over on its mission. Jumping forward, McVea jammed it down on Lester's jaw, but he might as well have been sending it up against a block of granite. The white man shook his head and smiled. It did not seem to have the slightest effect on him. He simply poked his jaw out for more. And he got it. Hundreds of times the black man's left found Lester's jaw, and towards the finish the plucky little fellow's face was lop-sided. It was not cut, and he did not seem to be hurt. He had taken a tremendous amount of punishment, and the fact that he showed no signs of it was a wonderful advertisement for his strength and stamina. After several rounds had been disposed of, Lester, acting on the advice of his seconds, kept his right glove well over his jaw, but even then McVea could not be kept off. When he found that his punches were being blocked, he straightened his arm and jabbed with it, relieving the monotony every now and then by once more bringing the hook into action. Sometimes he would vary it by using it as an uppercut, and at others he would bring his starboard gun into action with deadly precision.

All the time Lester did practically nothing. It was not that he was unwilling, but he found at a very early stage that he could not do anything with the colored marvel. He swung his hands and made efforts at in-fighting, but McVea never had the slightest trouble in keeping him at bay. Without apparently exerting himself, he claimed the white man's arms in clinches, and, whenever he felt disposed, threw the mass of bone and muscle opposed to him aside with the greatest ease. But, at that, he declined to wrestle, and whenever Lester tried to bustle him he always took things quietly until the referee came to his rescue.

Now for a few incidents of the fight. Lester went mad in the second round, and was lucky to get through without disqualification. He seemed to lose his mental balance altogether, and, grabbing hold of his opponent, bustled him against the ropes and pushed him over. McVea fell in a heap on the boards outside, but he took it all good-humoredly, and, with a broad grin over his face, extended his hand in manly fashion to his adversary. Lester, however, was cautioned by the referee. The white man also showed a nasty trait when McVea commenced to punish his body. On two or three occasions the colored boxer drove his left to the midsection, and although the punches were well above the mark, Lester pointed downwards, suggesting that he had been hit low. All of the punches were absolutely fair, and Lester's protesting suggested that the punishment was not being welcomed.

The fourteenth round was absolutely the hardest of the contest. McVea, whose pretty, evasive work had been delighting the experts around the ring, assumed the aggressive suddenly, and, tearing forward with remarkable vim, played a merry tune on Lester's head and body with both hands. It did not look as if the white man could weather the storm, but he came through fairly well, although he was only too willing afterwards to rest in a clinch. The eighteenth round was almost as vimful. Lester being very badly treated. Up till this time the bulk of the colored man's work had been done about the upper story. But now he transferred his attentions to the body. He sent in some terrific punches to the stomach, and Lester grunted loudly on several occasions, and appeared to be weak and groggy. It looked any odds that a knock-out would be recorded. One good punch would have done the trick, but McVea did not bring it into play. He had the openings, but he seemed to hold himself in check deliberately.

A couple of rounds before the finish the crowd started to leave. It was not that they were dissatisfied with the contest; but the ending was a foregone conclusion, and they were anxious to get back before Snowy Baker, at the end of the twentieth term, pointed to the colored champion and declared him the winner.

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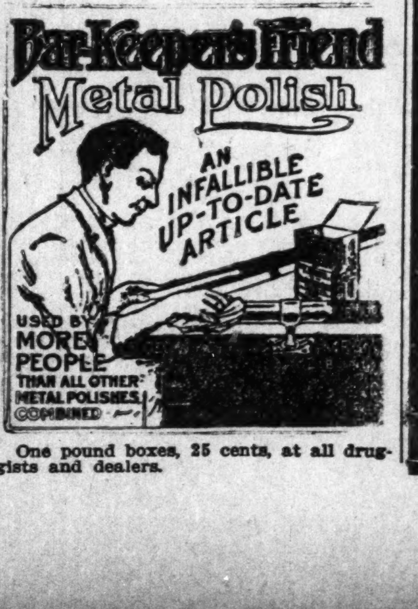
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CITY AND VICINITY.

Mrs. Beatrice Jordan is improving nicely.

Mrs. Mary Brown, of Louisville, Ky., is in the city.

Mrs. Earl Allen, of Muncie, spent this week here.

Mr. John Magee left this week for Hot Springs, Ark.

Mrs. Jennie Harrison spent Thanksgiving Day in New Albany.

Mrs. Amanda Smith is improving after a severe attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Henry Fields spent several days in St. Louis last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hayes are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Tuesday.

Mr. John Boyd was buried from his home in Locke street Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Joe Lewis, of Shelbyville, Ind., was in the city Wednesday on business.

Mrs. John Webber and Misses Katie and Mattie Pearce visited in Kentucky this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ferguson were in Atlanta, Ind., Friday and Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Gertrude Jackson and Miss Helen Day, of Chicago, were pleasant guests here this week.

The Young Ladies' Club will meet with Miss Flora Allen next Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Miss Bessie Clay entertained at whist Friday afternoon. Beautiful prizes were awarded to the winners.

Mrs. Samuel S. Haddox entertained at dinner in honor of Mrs. Hayden, who left for Miami, Fla., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Coleman and Harland Elbert spent Thanksgiving with Miss Fay Wineburn in Kokomo, Ind.

The sad news of the death of the wife of Bishop Moore, of the M. E. church, at Cincinati, O., has been received here.

Mt. Bethel Lodge No. 4, American Doves of Protection, will hold their regular meeting Monday eve at Pythian Hall.

Miss Mary Martin was hostess for a small tea party Tuesday evening. The time was pleasantly spent by those present.

Mrs. Jennie Bennett, in North California street, will spend the winter in Los Angeles, Cal. She departed Monday morning.

Miss Willard Webber is confined to her home this week from the effects of a nail being stuck in her foot several days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Lell Ray entertained at dinner Friday evening in honor of the latter's brother, who is visiting them from Jackson, Miss.

Mr. Wm. Beeler, of Danville, Ill., attended the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Hanley, who died last week at Irvington.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ralston, of Columbus, O., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Martin in North West street, Thanksgiving.

Messrs. Wallace Jackson, William Ward and Clarence Jones spent several days hunting last week. They returned with about twenty rabbits.

J. E. (Doc) Rivers is now in charge of the Summer League cafe, and will be pleased to meet all of his friends. Special service for private parties.

Quarterly meeting at Simpson Chapel **Sunday.** Rev. D. E. Skelton will preach at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Rev. Smyth will preach at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

"Africa in America and Africa Across the Sea" was the subject of a lecture delivered by Dr. Skelton, superintendent of the Indiana district, at Simpson chapel Thanksgiving night.

Misses Ella Walden and Nettie Reed gave a beautiful Thanksgiving party Thursday eve at the home of the latter in North Senate avenue. Twenty-five invited guests participated.

Miss Bertha Thomas was taken suddenly ill in the downtown district Monday and died Wednesday morning. The funeral services will be held from the family residence in Chicago street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moore, formerly of this city, now of Chicago, passed through here Wednesday en route to their home, having been in attendance at the funeral of a relative in Louisville, Ky.

Mr. Henry Chambers, of Knoxville, Tenn., and Miss Goldie Finn, this city, were married Tuesday evening at the home of the bride's parents in Fayette street. Many handsome presents were received by the happy couple. They left Wednesday morning for Tennessee, their future home, and were accompanied by a sister of the bride.

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The White Rose and Blue Ribbon Club met with Mrs. Joseph Walker in West Michigan street, Thursday evening. A Thanksgiving dinner was served in seven courses. About thirty-five invited guests were present.

A MOTHER'S PARTY.

Wednesday afternoon, Room 2, of School No. 17, gave a Mothers' Party under the supervision of Mrs. Hazel Hendricks. J. Edward Knox acted as master of ceremonies. Everyone rendered their parts nicely. Those on the program were Mary Cox, Venus Owsley, Alverta Wells, Beatrice Johnston, Ethel McClain, Merle Stokes, Ralph Conn, Chas. Carr, Lilbert Young, Roger McCann, Herman and Hulbert Riley and William Barton. Much credit is due Mrs. Hendricks for the beautiful program and delightful refreshments. Mrs. Bowen received the prize for being the holder of the lucky number, 17.

THE BENEFIT AT TOMLINSON HALL, DECEMBER 26.

Society is taking a commendable degree of interest in this helpful movement and it is evident that Tomlinson hall will have a capacity attendance on the evening of December 26 to witness the exhibition of the beautiful folk and fancy dances.

These dances have an educational value that cannot be overlooked and much skill and intelligence is required in their execution. aMny surprises are in store for those who witness them. An effort is being made to obtain a complete list of box parties for publication.

Tickets will be on sale Monday, December 4th.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The largest crowd of the season to date is expected to hear Judge Jas. A. Collins on Sunday before the "Monster Meeting" of the Colored Y. M. C. A. His subject will be "Pulling Against the Tide." The Monster meeting has become a great rallying place for the best thinking men of the community on Sunday afternoons. Judge Collins is a great favorite with the Monster meeting crowd and always brings something good and fresh. This year the Monster meetings are being held in the new Castle hall, located at Senate avenue and Walnut street. The doors are opened promptly at 3 p. m., prior to this the ushers and workers have entered through the stage entrance and all is in readiness for the **opening.** The splendid orchestra of twelve pieces begin a thirty-minute progra mjust as the doors are thrown open and this year under the leadership of Mr. A. A. Taylor they are surpassing all previous records. Dr. J. H. Ward and an efficient corps of ushers see to the comfort of the men who attend. Special numbers are rendered by the best local talent. Next Sunday Mr. John Grey will give a violin solo and the Y. C. W. P. A. quartette will sing in addition to the whistling and singing of the great male chorus. These meetings are open to all men and there is no charge of admission. Much good has been accomplished through these meetings, and the men who attend would not give them up for anything.

The Bible work of the Association this year is doing fine and at present the best attendance is being maintained. On Tuesday evenings at 6:15 a group of men gather for supper, which is served for 10 cents and consists of beans, rools, coee and doughnuts, followed by a tenminute address on some live topic. At 7 p. m., Bible study is indulged in under the leadership of Dr. W. H. Weaver, pastor of the Senate Avenue Presbyterian church. Adjournment comes at 8 p. m. The class is studying "The Will of God and a Man's Life Work."

On Thursday night at 9:30 the gymnasium Bible class holds its session in the locker room and is taught by Mr. Geo. L. Hayes, principal of School No. 23. Many men who are employed at late hours, drop in for this class, the course that is being followed is "The Gospel in Athletic Phrases."

On Friday the Boy's clubs in the "Travels of Paul," meet under the direction of Secretary Thos. E. Taylor, and it is open to any boy in the city, just as the men's classes are open to all men, whether they are members of the association or not. The boys have drawn a large outline map, 3 feet by 6 feet of the countries visited by St. Paul and as the course progresses the boys in regular session will ill in the various cities and places of interest. All boys 12 to 18 years are welcome.

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Mrs. Washington is sick at the home of her grandson, Mr. Ambrose Pendleton, on Jefferson avenue....Mrs. Rufus Ellis is convalescing....Miss Ida Greene, of Sand Lake, spent a few days in the city, en route to Ypsilanti, to attend the normal school....At the evening services at Arnett chapel, December 3, Mr. Cross and Mr. Ruben Smith will render solos.. Mr. and Mrs. Williams, of Dutton, passed through the city Monday to attend the funeral of Geo. Minisee, at Byron Centre ....The young people of Arnett chapel organized a literary society Wednesday night and elected the following officers: President, Ambrose Pendleton; vice president, Ambrose Smith; secretary, Lena Timbers; treasurer, Eva McConnell.... The Juniors met at the parsonage Saturday afternoon and under the direction of Mrs. Saunders and Eva McConnell, organized the Blue Ridge Society. Officers: President, Willie Robbins; vice president, Ethel Lee; secretary, Edna Mason; assistant secretary, Ruth Jones; treasurer, Edna Adams Ballard....The funeral of Mr. Geo. Minisee, who died at his home in Byron Centre, Saturday morning, was held from the home at 12 o'clock and at the Byron Centre church at 2 o'clock. Besides a widow and an aged father, there are left to mourn his loss seven children and a host of relatives and friends. The children, James, o fGrand Rapids; Ray, Paul, Pearl, Bessie, Lucy, of Byron Centre, and Mrs. Daniel Jones, of Michigan City, Ind......Mr. Frank Thompson and daughter of Grand Haven, Miss Jennie Thompson, of Pentwater, Mrs. Lucy Brandon and sister of Chicago, Mr. Daniel Jones, of Michigan City, Ind., Mr. Chas. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Albert Thompson, Mrs. Bertha Majors and Miss Eva McConnell, of this city, attended the funeral.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A number of Youngstown people will attend the Elks' dance in Newcastle, Monday evening, December 4......Word was received from Mrs. Geo. Melton, of Salem, W. Va., that her sister, Thelma Hill, had died. Mrs. Nelson has been in Salem three months......Mrs. Robert Docket is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Crosby, and sister and brother in Toledo, O....John Holmes, Jr., is able to be down town....Word was received from Sharon that Geo. Buck, who has been ill, is improving....Mrs. James Beaker, of Myrtle avenue, is on the sick list.... Mrs. David Brannock is home from the hospital and is much improved....The minstrels given by the Chrysanthemum Club Thursday evening, was a grand success. The elaborate wardrobe worn by some of the talent was gorgeous, and the jokes were of the latest note, and the audience was in a laugh from the beginning to the end. A neat sum was realized for the benefit of the sewing school ....The Oak Hill and A. M. E. sewing circles will hold their fair in the church lecture room, December 13 and 14...... There will be an elaborate church wedding in the Mahoning Avenue Baptist church soon. The couple are very prominent in society circles....The members of Aviation Dramatic Club met at Mr. and Mrs. Richardson's, on Thomas street, Wednesday evening....Miss Hazel Harper, president; Miss Georgia Parker, secretary......Mrs. Alberta West, wife of Samuel West, Poland, O., was suddenly taken with an attack of heart failure Sunday evening at 5:30 and died in half and hour later. Her husband was with and helped her in the house and physicians were soon on the scene but could give her no relief. Mrs. West was 42 years of age and had been married to Mr. West four years......Mrs. Rev. Taylor took very ill with hemorrhage Sunday evening at the Mahoning Avenue Baptist church and was taken to her home, on West Federal street. She is much better at this writing....Mrs. Samuel Tillery and Mrs. A. Rayford are on the sick list ....Mrs. Hannah Hurst, wife of Floyd Hurst, 621 West Madison avenue, died Sunday evening on her way to church on the corner of West Federal and North avenue She and Mrs Thomas were on the car and on account of a sudden sensation of dizziness and nausea, it was thought advisable to alight at this point, and she expired in a few moments. She was moved to the morgue and her husband was at home with an attack of rheumatism. Mrs. Hurst was 42 years of age and came here from Braddock, Pa., with her husband two years ago. She was born in Culpepper county, Va., where she was a member of the Good ope Baptist church.

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Memorial Exercises of Buckeye Lodge, No. 73, I. B. P. O. E. of W.

The memorial exercises of Buckeye Lodge No. 73, I. B. P. O. E. of W., will be held at the Mahoning Avenue Baptist church on Sunday evening, December 3, 1911, at 7:45 o'clock. The committee in charge consists of Dr. C. A. Pettiford, chairman, and also master of ceremonies, G. M. Fagan, J. H. Robson, T. B. Robinson, C. W. Murray and George Thornley exalted ruler. The program is as follows; Selection, Wesley Dungee; Opening Ceremonies, E. R. George Thornley; Calling Roll of Deceased, Secretary J. H. Moore. Opening Ode:

Great Ruler of the universe,
All-seeing and benign,
Look down upon and bless our work,
And be all glory thine!
O! hear our prayer for the Honored dead,
While bearing in our minds,
The memories graven on each heart
For "Auld Lang Syne."

Invocation, Chaplain, Wm. Milton; Singing by the choir; Thanatopsis, George Ridout; Selection, Mrs. Wm. Milton; Eulogy, R. D. Lynch; Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity, J. H. Bobson; Selection, Mrs. R. D. Lynch; Eulogy, R. Romeo Bowie; Closing ceremonies of the lodge; "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"; benediction. Necrology—Harry Hicks, Thomas D. Johnson, Alford Lewis. Ushers—W. P. Burton, John Gales and Wm. Saunders.

The St. Augustine Episcopal Mission will have their annual fair December 8 and 9, in the Biemer block, North Hazel street....Bennie Jackson, of Chicago, is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Case Jackson, and sisters of South Watts street.

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Mr. Theodore Brown is very ill with la grippe.

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Mr. Peter Dent left for Indianapolis to visit his wife.

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Mrs. Martha Dillon left for her home Saturday night.

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Mrs. Ogie Harris is very ill from the effects of old age.

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Mr. John Ellis is some better after a few weeks' illness.

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Mrs. Lillian Stern and daughter left for Louisville to reside.

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Miss Mattie spent a few days in Cincinnati on business.

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Rev. R. D. Dodge, of Elkon, spent a few days in the city.

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Mrs. Susan Lyons is improving from a hard attack of fever.

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Mr. Churchill Rowlins is very ill with rheumatism at Green Hill.

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Mrs. Ellen Thompson is improving after a few months' illness.

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Mrs. Dolly Boots, who has been ill for quite a while, is some better.

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Miss Lucy Todd, of Richmond, spent a day in the city visiting friends.

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Mrs. Martha Thomas took ill very suddenly, but is now improving.

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The Blue Grass Social Club met at the residence of Mrs. Pat Green, Jr.

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Dr. Geo. Craig spent a few days in the city the guest of Mr. Major Mortans.

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Miss Ella Adams is very ill with rheumatism, but is able to walk a little.

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Mr. Howard Dickerson was called to Chicago by the illness of his sister.

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Mr. Calhoun and son, who have been very ill for a few days, are out again.

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Mr. Stafford Freigher left for Harrisburg to be the guest of his parents.

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Mr. Charles Cliffert has returned from the United States Army after 30 years' service.

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Miss Julia E. Smith spent a few days in Versailles, visiting relatives and friends.

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Prof. Bert Lark has returned from Hallesville to be the guest of his mother in this city.

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Rev. R. D. Monterque, an evangelist of the A. M. E. church, preached here Sunday morning.

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Mr. D. B. Lampkins, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who is delivering lectures in the State, is in the city.

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Miss Lillian Hall has returned from Louisville to be the guest of her parents, in Gault avenue.

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The members of the Corinthian Baptist church gave a box party in the chapel of the church Monday night.

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Mrs. Florence Cole is able to be about the house after an illness of a few weeks with fever and la grippe.

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Mrs. Rhyner and Mrs. Warren were guests of Mrs. M. A. Russell, in Holm street, Hallowe'en night.

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Te cuhrch Aid Society met at Mr. Robert Todd's Friday afternoon for the benefit of the A. M. E. church.

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The Christian Endeavor has organized at the A. M. E. church. Miss Lucy M. Young was elected president.

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The church reception given by Mrs. T. L. Brooks, for the benefit of the First Baptist Church, was a success.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Miles, of Carrolton, and grandson, of Louisville, are in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Payne.

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Mr. Sam Powers, of this city, has accepted the position of foreman of the steaming room of the Pure Tobacco Company, at Nebo, Ky.

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Mrs. Matha Thomas, an experienced trained nurse, whose daughter, Miss Willie Thomas, of Chicago, was called home on account of her illness, is able to be up again.

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Miss Minnie Littner, of Lexington, spent a few days in the city to attend the unveiling of the Lincoln monument. She was accompanied by her grandmother.

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The Normal Hill Women's Club met in the girls' dormitory Friday afternoon. The room was beautifully decorated in flowers; and a menu was served in three courses. Interesting talks were made by members of the club.

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An auto party of white people were coming into the city from the east and in the suburbs of the city they met two colored men and they called to the colored men, "Oh Jack! Oh Jack!" And when the two autos stopped the white people were disappointed, having taken Mr. Henry Bush for Jack Johnson and Mr. Joshopie Phanton, his guest.

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Mr. Luther M. Tayloh, proprietor of the $10,00 Odd Fellow Hall, corner of Washington and Clinton streets, will have many of the first-class colored vaudeville performances to come tto this city. This will be a great thing for our people, who will appreciate a good colored show. Mr. Taylor is one of the hustlers of the city who believes in doing things.

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Mr. William H. Hawkens, a progressive business man of this city, who has been in the tailoring business and also cleaning and pressing business, and recently purcased a prominent place of business, was a heavy loser by fire Thursday. Mr. Hawkens was badly burned trying to save some of his movable property. He lost $15,000 or more.

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Mr. Basil Harvey, the head waiter at the Capitol Hotel, while on Normal Heights overseeing the clearing up of some land for a colored park, proved himself quite a marksman by killing a chicken hawk a hundred yards in the air just as he was going over a cliff. Mr. Harvey is one of the most prominent citizens in the city and has a considerable amount of real estate.

MUNCIE, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. nd Mrs. Grycell and Mr. and Mrs. Sanders, of Indianapolis, also Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell and son, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Smitch and children, Mrs. Elizabeth Pondexter, of Kokomo, and Mrs. George Samuels will be the guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson, on East Seymour street, on Thanksgiving. In the evening Mrs. Carey Smith will be the hostess of friends mentioned above at her home, 605 South Madison street.....Mrs. Emma Park, of Indianapolis, Ind., is the guest of Mrs. Lizzie Gateskill, during the holidays...... Mrs. Cora Gayton is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Ella Bass....Mrs. Cora Wade is visiting friends in Muncie. She is from Grand Rapids, Mich.....Mrs. Mary Gilmore is getting better from a long spell of sickness....Mrs. Harper left Sunday for her home in Indianapolis.. ..Mr. Marsh McCray now shares in partnership with Mr. Douglass Walk....Mr. Clarence Hill entertained friends Sunday in honor of Miss Lettie Parker, of Frankfort, Ind. Covers were laid for Misses Minnie Kelley, Beulah Kelley, Lettie Parker, Margaret Coleman, Mr. Robert Jones, Charlie Scott and Clarence Hill. Dinner was served at the Favorite. ....Mrs. Gurnell, of Muncie, is now at her home in Springfield, O., where she moans the death of her sister....A party was given at the residence of Mrs. Alexander on last Tuesday night, November 21, 1911, in honor of her daughter, Augusta. The residence is at 1509 Centenial avenue, Whitely..Daniel Kelley, Jr., won six chickens at a raffle last week.....Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson, of Muncie, will be the guests of relatives in Alexandria, Ind., on Thanksgiving Day.

THE FREEMAN IN MUNCIE.

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COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE.

State of Indiana, Marion county, ss:
In the Circuit Court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana.
No. 20720.
Millie Walker vs. William Walker,
Complaint—Divorce.

Be it known, that on the 23rd day of November, 1911, the above named plaintiff, by her attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana, her complaint against the above named defendant, William Walker, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, William Walker, is not a resident of the State of Indiana, that said cause is for divorce; and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 3rd day of February, 1912.

Now therefore, by order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against him, and that unless he appears and answers or demurs thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 3rd day of February, 1912, the same being the 30th judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the Court House in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in December, 1911, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged will be heard and determined in his absence.

JOHN RAUCH, Clerk.
Isaac L. Wiseman, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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